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Nearly 200 campers die as Spanish gas lorry explodes

arly 200 campers, most of them nch and German but including tons, were killed when a gas ry exploded in a crowded camp on the Spanish coast between Barcelona and Valencia yesterday. Up to 600 people were injured and doctors said some would not survive. The authorities set up emergency treatment centres

Blast hurls bodies into the sea

n out-of-control tanker lorry of propylene gas crashed y in a crowded Spanish p site overlooking the diterranean and exploded, ng nearly 200 holidaymakers injuring up to 600 tourists people in the area.

ome of the victims were ered to be British, Belgian Dutch, but the majority e French and German. Many the dead and injured were dren, since most of the ple staying at the camping und arrived in family ups.

olunteers on the scene said identification of the d was virtually impossible ause the force of the explo- dismembered bodies and them charred beyond gnition.

he disaster was the worst r to occur in Spain as the lt of a single explosion and as the second worst accident olving tourists, the death toll the collision of two Jumbo in Tenerife last year being her.

he explosion occurred at ut 3.15 pm (14:15 GMT) at Los Alfreques camping nd overlooking the Mediranean coast near the town an Carlos de la Rapita, about miles north of Valencia and miles south of Barcelona. e explosion devastated the camp site leaving a crater measuring 20 yards across.



The Spanish Tourist Office last night announced that it is setting up special telephone lines for inquiries about the accident. These are Tarragona, Spain (code 010.3477) 201.815; 201.246; and 205.268.

It also totally destroyed about 12 holiday chalets, a discotheque and about 80 cars parked at the camp ground.

Late this afternoon rescue workers were still sifting through the charred rubble in the slim hope of finding a few more survivors. At that time, the Spanish news agency Europa Press put the death toll at 180, and authorities said that many of those who lived through the blast are so badly injured that their chances of survival are limited.

The company in charge of transporting the gas, Cisternas Reunidas, said through a spokesman that it accepts full responsibility to the extent that it may be liable. The tanker had a capacity of 45 cubic metres and was carrying what in effect was a full load, 43 cubic metres.

The spokesman said that technicians sent by the company are studying the wreckage of the lorry at the scene. He expressed puzzlement about the explosion, saying that propylene is inflammable but not normally explosive.

Some reports spoke of flames aboard the lorry before it went out of control and there was speculation that flames might have heated the gas before the blast occurred.

The Civil Guard said that it appeared that the lorry crashed into a cement wall at the entrance to the camp site. It is not clear, however, whether that collision caused the explosion.

The Spanish Government put Air Force helicopters and aircraft at the disposal of local authorities in order to evacuate the most serious cases. Cars and buses were pressed into service to carry the injured to hospitals and clinics all up and down the coast.

In Valencia late this afternoon volunteers laid out mattresses on the floor of a gymnasium which is to be used as an emergency treatment centre. Radio stations all along the coast between Valencia and Barcelona called for ambulances, medical personnel and blood donors.

The force of the explosion was so great that it blasted some of the campers into the sea and set off a number of secondary explosions from bottles of camping gas and the petrol tanks of cars.

The time of the explosion was unfortunate for the campers. Most of them were either taking a siesta or cleaning after the midday meal. If the explosion had occurred earlier or later the toll would probably have been less because many of the campers would have been at the beach.

A doctor at one hospital in the area said that it was difficult to identify even the injured without the aid of interpreters. He said interpreters had been summoned but some were so sickened by the carnage that they could not work. In addition, all of the wounded were in a state of shock.

Telephone lines to the West German Embassy were blocked because of the number of calls from anxious relatives of Germans holidaying on the east coast. The switchboard at the French Embassy was also jammed.

Consular officials from various countries were reportedly on their way to the scene of the disaster this afternoon. Their approach was delayed as the Civil Guard waved normal traffic off the highway in many places in order to give preference to emergency vehicles and private cars carrying the injured.

At the town of Veinaros near by, a doctor who is treating many of the victims, said that the majority have extremely bad burns ranging between 50 per cent and 90 per cent of the surface of their bodies. He said that there was no hope for some of them.

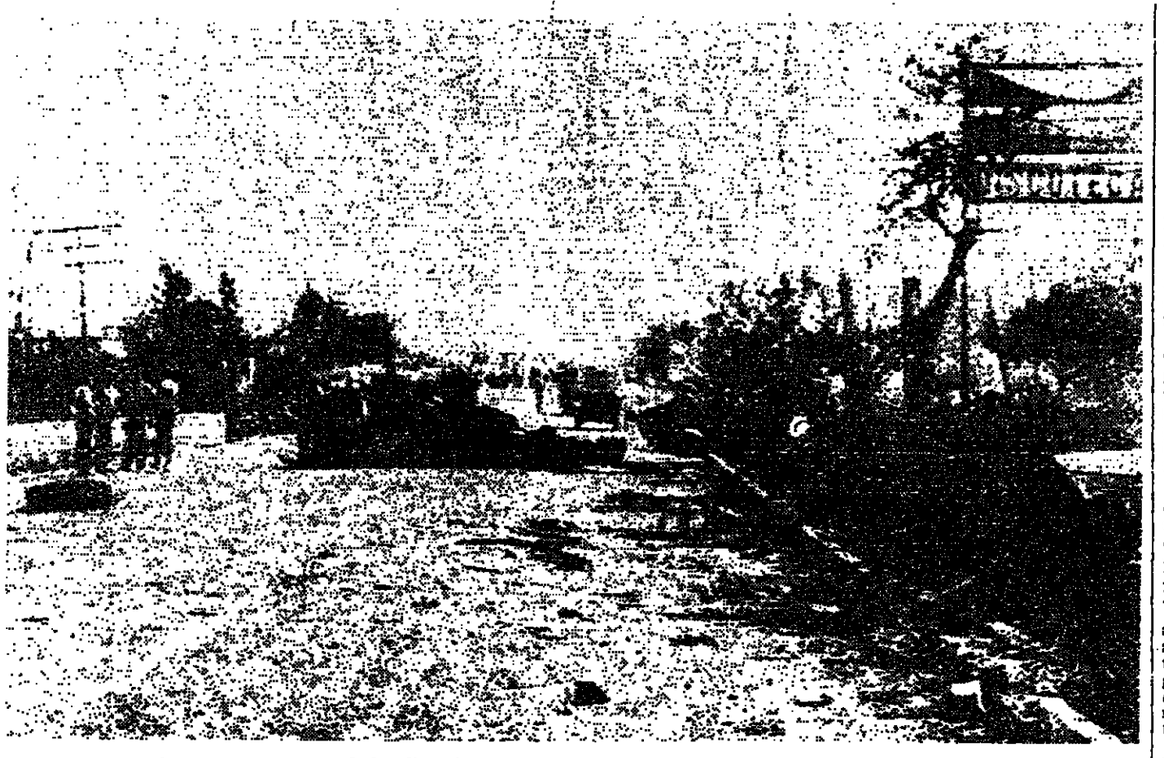
Doctors attributed the severity of the burns in most cases to the fact that virtually everyone was in swimsuits at the time and consequently large areas of the skin were directly exposed to the blast. For the same reason they did not have any documentation in their pockets which might have helped to identify the bodies.

Of the approximately 500 people who were staying at the camp site, the only ones known to have survived without injury were the few who were away at the time of the blast.

The disaster was of such magnitude that King Juan Carlos personally kept in touch throughout the night by telephone with provincial authorities in Tarragona. Señor Ignacio Aguirre, the Secretary of Tourism, and other authorities, flew to the scene. The King publicly expressed his condolences.

In Madrid, Señor Adolfo Suárez, the Prime Minister, sent condolences after he was interrupted at a meeting of his Security Council, which was discussing the Basque problem, with news of the terrible accident.

Army troops were pressed into service to help with the search for victims


Rescue workers inspecting the site of the discotheque destroyed by the San Carlos de la Rapita explosion.

American way of choosing a new Pope

From Michael Leapman
New York, July 11

A campaign to open up the election of the next Pope to public discussion and scrutiny was launched here today.

A group calling itself the "Committee for the Responsible Election of the Pope" called a press conference to introduce a book containing "dossiers" on the 116 cardinals who will go into conclave to choose the successor to Pope Paul.

According to Mr Joseph Andrews, the cochairman of the committee, its aim is to "bring about consciousness-raising with regard to the significance and potential of the office of the papacy".

By disseminating information about the character and attitudes of the candidates to the electors and to Catholics in general, the committee hopes to ensure that the man selected is representative of prevailing trends of Catholic thought.

The 50 members of the committee are primarily American but the aim is to internationalize it. "It is not a lobby for a particular candidate," Mr Andrews insisted. One of its projects is a computer study of the cardinals which will predict the winner.

The information in the book will be updated in a regular newsletter called "Conclave Confidential". Two issues have already been published.

The first includes tit-bits such as the information that Cardinal Pericle Felici, described as the conservative front-runner for the succession, has a passion for audiovisual gadgets and "with a telecopic lens he follows the movements of Paul VI in the apostolic palace which is opposite Felici's apartment".

Mr Philip Scharper, the other cochairman of the committee, said that when conclaves approach journalists and others rely on the Vatican information service for details about the cardinals. Thus John XXIII was portrayed by everyone as a warm, jolly and unpretentious man, but few wrote of his impressive career as a diplomat when the present Pope was elected little was written of his spell in Milan, where he was known as the "Archbishop of the workers".

Mr Gary MacEoin, who wrote the book, said that it seemed to him to make little difference who became Pope, since all the cardinals "have the same mind set" and a similar educational background. None of them, for instance, had any training in science which would enable them to make informed judgments on birth control and abortion.

"We feel that information is power", Mr Andrews said. "A cardinal in Africa who reads about the life style of one of his peers in America or Europe will be able to come to better judgments when he is lobbied in the conclave."

The book is called *The inner élite: Dossiers of papal candidates and is to be published this* month by Sheed, Andrews and McMeel, Inc, of Kansas City.

Car fired on

Police in North Wales are searching for a man who fired from a car into a passing car carrying four passengers near Treuddyn. The driver was cut when the windscreen shattered

White Paper on pay expected in fortnight

ne Prime Minister, the Chanllor of the Exchequer and her senior ministers will eet representatives of the JC next Tuesday, and of the BI the next day, to prepare e way for the White Paper income policy. The docuent, which will include the vernment's attitude to divid restraint, is expected to be published in a fortnight. The meetings are being arranged so that the Government can explain its view of the nation's economic situation. The White Paper, our Political Correspondent writes, is expected to contain suggested guidelines for incomes, prices, and dividends in the coming year

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The National Health Service is inadequate and impersonal and is losing the confidence of the medical profession and the public, Dr James Cameron, chairman of the Council of the British Medical Association, said at the opening session of its annual representative meeting in Cardiff

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China stops aid to Albania

China has stopped economic aid to Albania and is withdrawing its experts and sending back Albanian students. Albania is believed to have told China that it is dissatisfied with Chinese aid and to have questioned its usefulness

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1990s research project

Britain's prospects in the 1990s are the subject of a research project. The National Economic Development Office will investigate supplies of energy, food and mineral resources and examine the effects of technological change and competition

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New Heath-Thatcher accord under strain

By Fred Emery
Political Editor

Last week's admittedly tentative rapprochement between Mrs Thatcher and Mr Edward Heath has been quickly soured by contestation of her claims to have had him closely consulted on European appointments. Mr Heath knows nothing of such consultation, it emerged yesterday, and evidently resents it being stated by Mrs Thatcher that such consultation has been regular and close.

It was after Mr Heath's pledge at Stocksbridge last week to support the Conservative general election campaign that Mrs Thatcher spoke about such consultation with "Mr Europe", as she called him, with the implication that it was much closer than anyone in the press imagined.

In remarks to reporters at Moss Side, she said, of Mr Heath's refusal of two or three jobs in Europe that had been put to him by her contacts: "I do not do it myself. I ask the chief whip to find out if Mr Heath is interested. There is nothing unusual in that. It is standard practice".

She added: "I always consult Mr Heath and Mr John Davies" (her Shadow Cabinet *spokesman on foreign affairs*).

Mrs Thatcher made clear that jobs as such were not being offered, only making sure that Mr Heath was not interested in them. "It is a matter of courtesy, no more than that, of clearing things with him."

The topic arose originally from a report that Mrs Thatcher had offered Mr Heath the future job of leading the Conservative delegation to the European Parliament after the direct elections next year, and that he had refused. Mr Heath's office promptly denied the report. Then came the version of consultations now disputed.

Mr Humphrey Atkins, the Conservative Chief Whip, did not personally approach Mr Heath over the parliamentary delegation post, it emerged last night. He got in touch with someone he assumed knew Mr Heath's thinking and was satisfied with the response, so it is said.

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Shcharansky court told of Soviet secrets passed to US reporter

From Michael Binyon
Moscow, July 11

The trials of two leading Soviet dissidents continued today. The Moscow court where Mr Anatoly Shcharansky is being tried on the capital charge of high treason went into camera while the accusations of espionage were detailed.

Meanwhile in Kaluga, 100 miles south, Mr Alexander Ginzburg's wife was ordered to leave the court after she protested when a witness against her husband called dissidents "criminals".

An official Soviet summary of this morning's session of the Shcharansky trial said evidence was presented that Mr Shcharansky and "his accomplies" collected classified information on the location, staffing and role of a large number of defence industry factories and installations.

Mr Shcharansky had systematically and secretly turned this information over to the West, until his arrest in March, 1977.

According to the official account, Mr Shcharansky confirmed his testimony given during the preliminary investigation, in particular on his links with a foreign correspondent.

The account did not name Mr Robert Toth, the American journalist referred to, but said competent bodies had established he was a Western military intelligence agent. Last night Mr Toth issued a statement through the Moscow bureau of the *Los Angeles Times*, denying that he had ever been a spy.

Today's questioning centred on the help Mr Shcharansky is said to have given Mr Toth in gathering material on the Soviet space programme, secret sociological research and parapsychology.

In Kaluga the questioning continued of Mr Arkady Gradoboyev, a former artist friend of Mr Ginsburg

He said political dissidents were a band of criminals working with money from abroad.

Mrs Ginzburg stood up in court and called Mr Gradobovev a liar. The presiding judge then ordered her to leave for behaving in a "hooliganistic manner", according to court officials.

Much of the Kaluga trial so far has been concerned with the character of Mr Ginzburg, aged 41. Witnesses have testified that he drank heavily, took part in sex orgies, and, with his friends, used the Solzhenitsyn fund for political prisoners to finance criminal activities.

Meanwhile dissident sources have reported that the third Hensinki group trial, in Vilnius, Lithuania, has heard accusations of homosexuality, drunkenness and the criminal inducement of young people against Mr Viktoras Piatkus, aged 49, a Roman Catholic charged with anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda.

Official publicity is also being given to a fourth hearing, apparently unrelated to the others. A Moscow military court today heard how Mr Anatoly Filator, who has pleaded guilty to espionage, was blackmailed into being a spy by a diplomat from "a capitalist country", in Algeria in 1974.

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Soldiers say shot boy was pointing rifle at them

From David Nicholson-Lord
Belfast

Controversy over the shooting of a boy aged 16 by troops in a graveyard yesterday in north Antrim deepened last night with a police statement that he had no connexion with terrorism.

The Royal Ulster Constabulary said it was satisfied that neither John Boyle, the dead youth, nor his father and brother, who were both detained after the incident and were later released, were connected with terrorism. The RUC also partly confirmed the family's version of events.

Mr Cornelius Boyle, said his son had gone to the graveyard in the morning to see whether security forces had removed an arms cache he had discovered under a gravestone on Monday. The Boyles had notified the police of the find later

Mr Boyle, whose farm near the village of Dunloy adjoins the graveyard, said his son had been helping with haymaking during the school holidays. An elder son, Hugh, had taken a tractor down to fields near the graveyard and John had folowed him on a second tractor.

The police confirmed that they had been notified on Monday of the arms hidden inside a fertilizer bag.

The Army said in a statement on the incident issued last night that two soldiers saw a man running into the graveyard.

They saw the man reach under a gravestone and straighten up, pointing an Armalite rifle in their direction, the statement said. They fired five rounds at him. The rifle was later found with its magazine fitted and ready to fire.

The Army said its earlier statement, issued about five hours earlier, that three men had been challenged in the graveyard was found to be inaccurate. "It was impracticable for the soldiers to issue a warning before firing as the man was 10 yards from them and was handling an Armalite rifle in such a way that it appeared to them that he was about to use it", a spokesman added.

Newspapers bid for story of baby implanted in womb

By Staff Reporters

Worldwide rights to articles and photographs about the first test-tube baby have been secured by Associated Newspapers, publishers of the *Daily Mail*, after a Dutch auction among three newspaper groups.

The baby, to be born by Caesarean section at Oldham, Lancashire, to the wife, aged 32, of a railway van driver, in two or three weeks, was implanted into her womb after having been formed in the laboratory. The couple, from south-west England, have been married nine years.

Birth of the child will complete more than 10 years' work by Mr Patrick Steptoe, aged 65, a consultant gynaecologist, and Dr Robert Edwards, a physiologist at Cambridge University.

In November Mr Steptoe removed eggs from the ovaries of the woman and Dr Edwards fertilized one outside the womb with sperm from her husband, aged 38, who already has a son from a former marriage. The fertilized egg was then replanted as an embryo into the womb, by-passing her blocked Fallopian tubes.

he baby's financial future was made secure in bids from Associated Newspapers, the Anglo-Australian-American group of Mr Rupert Murdoch, and the *National Enquirer*, based in Florida, in a solicitor's office at Oldham on Friday.

The price is said to have been about £300,000, but Mr Alwyn Robertson, a director of Associated Newspapers, denied *last night that the figure was* £325,000.

"It is not true", he said. "I am not prepared to disclose the figure. It is less than £325,000—considerably less. But I cannot reveal contracts."

Meanwhile, the central ethical committee of the British Medical Association, which is preparing a revised version of its booklet on medical ethics, has not been involved in any consideration of the implant and is unlikely to be so.

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Minister acts to forestall outcry over death fall

From Nicholas Ashford
Johannesburg, July 11

The South African Government moved swiftly today in an attempt to stem an outburst of protest over the death of another young African while being held in police custody.

The man, Mr Lungile Tabalaza, aged 20, died yesterday afternoon after falling from the fifth-floor window of the security police headquarters in Port Elizabeth — the building in which Mr Steve Biko, the Black Consciousness leader, was held immediately before his death in police custody last September.

Within hours of Mr Tabalaza's death being announced Mr James Kruger, the Minister of Justice, issued a statement saying he had appointed a police officer with the rank of major-general to investigate the incident, "with a view to possible disciplinary action". His statement followed calls by the country's three white Opposition parties for an urgent investigation

Twenty-four security police detainees have now died in police custody in two years. Four of the deaths were in Port Elizabeth.

According to Mr Kruger, Mr Tabalaza "jumped" from the fifth floor of the Sanlam building in Port Elizabeth (which houses the security police headquarters) and landed on the pavement, after being arrested on Monday by the uniformed police in connexion with alleged acts of arson and robbery between July 8 and 10.

Mr Kruger's statement emphasized that the dead man was not detained in terms of section six of the Terrorism Act, which provides for detention without trial, but under the Criminal Procedure Act. He would have been charged within 48 hours. He had been handed over by the uniformed police to the security branch shortly before his fall.

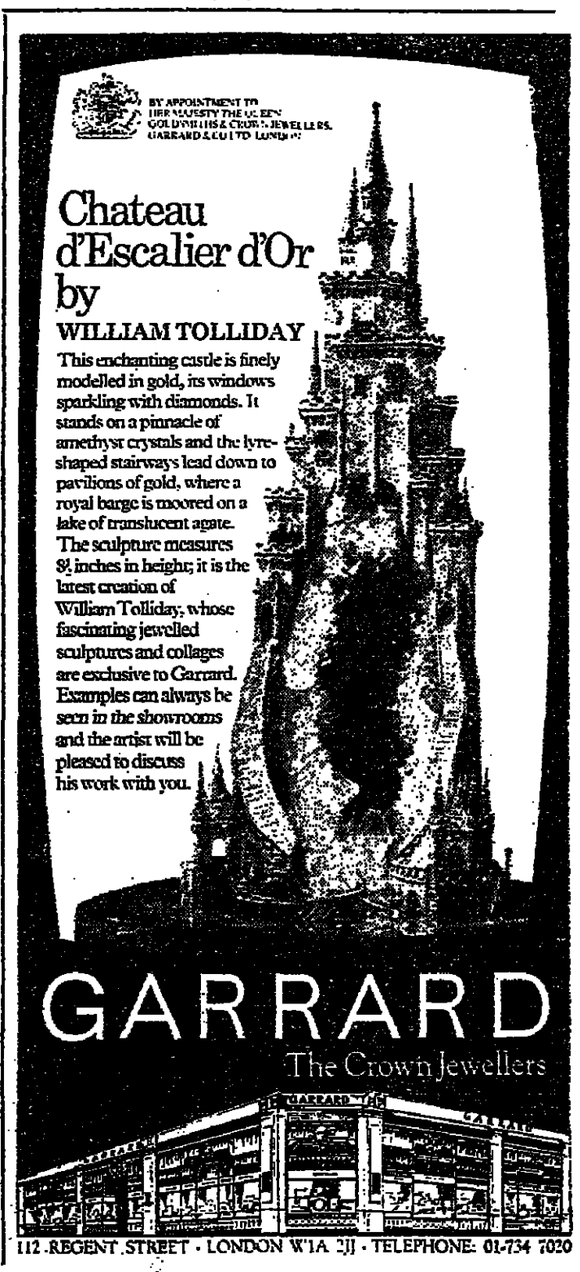
The Minister said a formal inquest would be held as soon as possible. The investigation by the senior police officer was taking place in view of the strict instructions that the police should do their utmost "to prevent detainees from committing suicide".

Earlier this year, after the furore over the death of Mr Biko, the Minister issued police with a set of rules concerning political detainees. These laid down that interrogations should be conducted in specially protected rooms unless on the ground floor. He also appointed two former jurists to monitor the treatment of security police detainees.

Mrs Helen Suzman, Opposition spokeswoman on justice, called for Mr Kruger's immediate resignation since the precautionary measures he introduced were "obviously ineffectual". It was particularly significant that the man's death had been in the same place where Mr Biko was held.

She added that South Africa could not afford "these disasters which put this country beyond the pale of the Western democracies and reinforce campaigns for the complete isolation of this country."

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HOME NEWS

Post Office engineers strike for a 35hr week

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

The Post Office Engineering Union (POEU) yesterday formally sought the support of the TUC for its claim for a 35-hour week as its 30,000 London members went on a half-day strike.

The stoppage caused limited delays to mail as well as adding to a backlog of telephone repairs and installations which has so far affected 90,000 customers.

In a letter to Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, the union called for the support of affiliated unions, "a public campaign" for a 35-hour week throughout industry, and for the TUC to ensure that it is a priority in discussions with the Government on economic policy.

The letter was handed in at Congress House by Mr Bryan Stanley, general secretary of the POEU, during a march by about five thousand of the London engineers who took part in the strike.

In a separate move, the General and Municipal Workers' Union executive announced that it was recommending to its negotiators that they should pursue a 35-hour week as "a top priority".

Mr David Basnett, the union's general secretary, said that because of previous income policies and "lack of pressure" by unions the demand for a shorter working week had been set aside.

"In the wage round starting on August 1 1978 this must change and the 35-hour week must be top of the agenda", he said.

More than seventy members of the POEU, which is operating a national overtime ban in support of the claim, have so far been sent home by the Post Office for refusing to carry out instructions. Nearly 900 exchanges have been affected by the union's refusal to carry out final work on new equipment so that it can be commissioned.

The Post Office said yesterday that it expected "large majority" of mail to and from London to be delivered on time despite yesterday's stoppage, which affected automatic sorting machinery and resulted in the closure of the Post Office underground railway linking sorting offices with main line stations. Some areas, including the W1 postal district, might face 24-hour delays.

The union's members will picket the British Open Golf championship at St Andrews in the hope of stopping BBC television coverage of the event, and a mass picket of members from throughout Scotland is planned during the tournament's closing stages on Saturday.

The BBC, however, remained "optimistic" last night that television coverage would be normal despite the engineers' refusal to work on outside broadcast lins. Plans for radio outside broadcast coverage of the event, which begins today, have been dropped because of the action.

Lord McCarthy, who is inquiring at the Government's request into the dispute, is due to meet both sides on Friday

Cabinet to meet TUC and CBI on pay policy

By George Clark
Political Correspondent

The White Paper on income policy, including the government's future attitude on dividend restraint, is now expected in a fortnight's time. To prepare the way for it, Mr Callaghan, Mr Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and other senior ministers, will meet representatives of the TUC on July 18 and the CBI on July 19.

It was explained in Whitehall yesterday that those meetings are not being called so that the Government can outline its proposals for the coming year and argue for their acceptance.

There will be what is called "an exposition of the economic situation of the country as seen by the Government" or, in another version, "an opening up of the books". But, after hearing the views of their visitors, the ministers will reserve complete freedom of action.

With an election in the offing, it seems likely that the White Paper will be partly devoted to expounding the advantages and disadvantages that have accrued from past restraints on incomes, and pointing the moral for the future.

Suggested guidelines for incomes, prices and dividends in the coming year are expected, but in the present parliamentary situation, with the Liberals unwilling to provide a prop to the Government beyond August, they can only be tentative until the general election.

It was significant that the Prime Minister, in his message to Mr Allen McKay, Labour candidate in the Penistone by-election, yesterday made no reference to income policy as such, though he attacked the Tories for their attempt by altering the balance of the Budget to give extra benefits "to those who are already best off".

In a parliamentary written reply, Mr Joel Barnett, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, would neither confirm nor deny a list of firms given by Mr Michael Latham Conservative MP for Melton, as being on the Government's list of companies that are to be refused government contracts because they have not kept to the pay guidelines.

Mr Latham said later than the firms had been listed in *The Times*. "Mr Barnett does not deny that list nor will he confirm it, but it shows that the whole squalid cover-up of the blacklist still continues."

Tories resist reselection proposal for MPs

By Our Political Correspondent

A proposal that sitting Conservative MPs should be subject to a reselection process is likely to be strongly resisted when it is debated at a conference of the Great London Conservative Political Centre on Saturday.

The motion, to be proposed by Mr Charles Smedley, chairman of the Young Conservatives in Chelsea, calls for a "re-examination of the process for selecting Conservative parliamentary candidates and reselecting MPs, and supports in principle a move towards a system of local primary elections".

Mr Smedley was a member of the Chelsea constituency selection committee that recommended that candidates in addition to Mr Nicholas Scott, the present MP, should be considered. That was voted down by the executive, and Mr Scott was reselected.

At that time Mr Smedley issued a statement making his position clear. "I considered that when there is a dispute over the future of a sitting MP, the right way is to have a vote of all members of the local party, rather than have the issue decided by small committees who may, or may not, be representative of the whole membership", he said yesterday.

Mr David Stone, a vice-chairman of the Greater London CPC, said last night: "Our purpose in selecting the motion is to open up an issue that other sections of the party would be scared to touch."

On the resclection proposal, an MP who is a former office-holder in the party organization said last night that the dispute over reselection was unnecessary.

Cornishmen may appeal over tin mining ruling

By Alan Hamilton

Four Cornishmen who were refused application to prospect for tin under ancient stannary laws at a special court hearing at Newquay on Monday are considering an appeal against the judge's decision. The costs of the case were awarded against them.

The Stannary Court, convened for only the second time in the present century, upheld the general principle of Cornish tin miners to prospect for ore in the royal duchy, but refused the specific application of Mr Brian Hambley, Speaker of the Stannary Parliament, to work 700 acres of Goss Moor, near Bodmin, on the ground that the area had already been "bounded" by another prospector, Mr Michael Drew of Bodmin.

Judge Chope directed that Mr Hambley and his three associates should pay the costs of Mr Drew, the British Railways Board and Lord Falmouth, Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall, who owns the land covered by the application.

Body of shot general to be released

Authorization for the body of General Abdul Razzak al-Naif, former Prime Minister of Iraq, to be released and flown from Britain was granted at a London inquest yesterday.

The general died in hospital on Monday after being shot twice in the head at point-blank range outside the Intercontinental Hotel in Park Lane, Mayfair, on Sunday.

Evidence of identification was given by Commander James Nevill, head of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist squad. He said the police were interviewing two people in connexion with the incident.

Dr Paul Knapman, the coroner, adjourned the inquest until October 11 and said he would authorize the release of the body.

Later, Mr Nevill said the General's wife was distressed and he understood she was planning to fly to Jordan with the body tomorrow.

Universities get indication of future grants

By a Staff Reporter

Provisional grant allocations made by th University Grants Committee for the next three years were announced by Mrs Shirley Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, yesterday.

The provisional grant available to all United Kingdom universities, based on the assumption of a full-rime student population of 310,000 in 1981-82, is £635m for 1979-80, £648m for 1980-81, and £670m

It is the first time that universities have been given an indication of their likely levels of grant three years ahead since the breakdown of the old quinquennial system four years

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Open season begins with a fusillade in Commons

By Hugh Noyes
Parliamentary Correspondent
Westminster

The Glorious Twelfth may still be a month away but Mr Callaghan signalled in the Commons yesterday that the open season for politicians has well and truly begun. The British electorate, from now until the general election, would do well to keep its head low and its nerve steady as missiles of varying calibre hurtle across the battlefields.

Politicians have a nasty habit, as the day of reckoning approaches, of clothing themselves in white samite while hurling the most frightful accusations at their partners in crime across the political divide.

So it was in the Commons yesterday, when Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk, Labour MP for Ormskirk, who has spent the past few weeks talking about little else but Tory spivs and racketeers, put a plum in his mouth and a halo about his head and accused the Opposition of having nothing better to do than to subject others to personal abuse.

Mr Kilroy-Silk was, of course, quite correct. Tory leaders, from Mrs Margaret Thatcher to Sir Ian Gilmour to Mr William Whitelaw, have been most unpleasant to poor Mr James Callaghan in recent days, a signal that they are somewhat concerned at his Sunny Jim "we're all right, Jack" image that has become the hallmark of the Prime Minister.

It is not only Tory leaders who have been up to no good at all. Was it not Mr Denis Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who, in a sudden burst of enthusiasm, likened the cuddly Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, darling of Conservative garden parties, to a dead sheep? Yes, it was, the Prime Minister said yesterday, and he considered that remark to be a little unseemly. Not for Mr Callaghan the bludgeon favoured by the Chancellor.

Being attacked by Mr Whitelaw, he remarked, was not so much like being savaged by a dead sheep as being nuzzled by a friendly old sheepdog.

The Tory benches did their best to fight back. Mr Timothy Renton, Conservative MP for Sussex, Mid, suggested that Mr Callaghan was feeling upset because he had been bitten hard by the German wolfhound in Bremen last week. On the contrary, the Prime Minister replied, the Bremen experience was not quite as pleasant as the sheepdog, but it had been nearly as nice.

Clearly, forcing Mr Callaghan to lose his cool and rumble from his avuncular pedestal is going to be no easy task for Conservative politicians in the coming months.

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Exchequer aid to clear oil pollution

The £750,000 bill for cleaning beaches in East Anglia polluted by oil from the tanker Eleni V will not be paid by councils, Mr Peter Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment, said yesterday.

In a letter to Mr Anthony Fell, MP for Great Yarmouth, he said Exchequer help could be made available. "We shall not allow local authorities to suffer losses", he added.

Libel protection after death is sought in Bill

By Our Political Correspondent

Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Labour MP for Crewe and daughter of the late Mr Morgan Phillips, who was general secretary of the Labour Party, is seeking leave in the Commons on August 1 to introduce a Bill under the Ten-Minute Rule to extend protection of the libel laws for 50 years after death of the person libelled.

One reason for her action is that she and her mother, Lady Phillips, have been distressed by correspondence in *The Times* which has revived debate on the libel case brought against *The Spectator* in 1957 by Aneurin Bevan, Richard Crossman, and Morgan Phillips.

Asked about the Bill's purpose yesterday, Mrs Dunwoody said: "I have been appalled at the way it appears necessary these days to live longer than one's enemies to get a fair hearing.

"My mother and I have been most moved by the large number of people who have written to us after she had made clear her views on those who attack public men with no justification because they knew they were safe from the law.

"We were particularly appalled by *The Times* newspaper, which sought to extend its correspondence over many weeks.

"We therefore feel it is essential that the law of libel should at least continue until one has a hope that politicians and men in public office can be judged without prejudice, and safe from the savagery of their enemies."

Sports Council looks at drugs and injuries

By a Staff Reporter

The Sports Council is to organize a wide-ranging inquiry into injuries and the use and detection of drugs in sport. In a letter to Mr R. E. G. Jeeps, chairman of the Sports Council, Mr Denis Howell, minister responsible for sport, says there is concern in the community.

The suspension of a Scottish football player during the recent World Cup in Argentina because he had taken a stimulant drug was mentioned only once during a press conference in London yesterday.

The embarrassment caused by the incident has clearly been a factor leading to the inquiry, however, particularly as it is clear that sport in Britain has not the rigorous drug testing procedures in use at international level.

The lack of specialized medical treatment is likely to be of equal importance to the committee, which is expected to produce an interim report by the late autumn.

Tory MP concerned at 'squandered' union £14m

By Ian Bradley

About £14m of ratepayers' money is annually squandered on financing extremist and frivolous student activities, Mr Nicholas Winterton, Conservative MP for Macclesfield, said yesterday.

He was announcing details of a Bill that he hopes to introduce today under the ten-minute rule, to provide for voluntary membership of student unions and of the National Union of Students.

Students in full-time higher and further education are automatically enrolled in the students' union of their institutions, most of which are in turn affiliated to the NUS. Union membership fees of up to £50 a year are paid automatically by local education authorities to all students with mandatory awards (320,000) and those with discretionary awards for designated courses (6,500).

Under Mr Winterton's Bill, that money would be added to the maintenance grant of individual students to use as they choose.

As an example of the "waste of ratepayers' money" by Students' unions, Mr Winterton said that at Reading University this year, "in addition to the £7,500 given to the Marxist-dominated NUS, £7,705 is being given to 64 clubs and societies, including £84 to a society to promote homosexuality, £200 to a group of students to play war games with toy soldiers".

In fact, the war games society plays chess and other intellectual games. Mr James Johnson, registrar of the university, said he was extremely satisfied with the way in which the officers of the students' union controlled their funds.

Mr Winterton said his Bill would ensure greater accountability of ratepayers' money.

He had the support of 60 Conservative MPs and of Mr Jo Grimmond.

Mr Trevor Phillips, president of the NUS, said: "Voluntary membership of students' unions would achieve the very thing Mr Winterton is against."



Mr Patrick Steptoe (left) and Dr Robert Edwards: straightforward case of medical skill.

10,000 seek test-tube babies

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Dr R. E. W. Fisher, chairman of the committee, said yesterday that the case was a straightforward one of medical skill, the doctor doing his best to ensure that a patient and her husband had a baby. No one other than the man and his wife was involved.

Implantation in a host or foster mother, if that was proposed, would probably be a different matter, he said.

The father visited his wife at breakfast time yesterday to reassure her after the announcement that her baby was about to be delivered. She is known to be lonely and depressed, with few visitors apart from her husband and daily visits from Mr Steptoe.

She was one of several women who were implanted at about the same time in November. At least one woman, from Burnley, Lancashire, had an ectopic pregnancy in her fourth month in April. Mr Steptoe has since implanted other women. Our Science Editor writes: The birth expected later this month of the first baby who began life by fertilization of a human egg in a laboratory dish is the culmination of more than ten years of painstaking research.

More than five thousand couples have sought help for infertility since the first reports of the work by Mr Steptoe and Dr Edwards, and estimates indicate there are four times that number unable to conceive because of a blockage of the fallopian tubes, which prevents the normal transfer of an egg from the ovary to the uterus.

Although a cure for infertility has been the first aim of the research, the method is also regarded as a potential way to safeguard against sex-linked diseases. For example, in diseases likely to be passed on to males, it would be possible to determine the sex before reimplantation.

The technique of using both egg and sperm from a married couple removes one ethical objection surrounding artificial insemination by donor. There will be questions about the risk of abnormalities. In practice, the procedure seems very reliable. The potential embryo is kept for only a few days in a special solution at body temperature in a dish in a laboratory until it has divided into about a hundred cells.

Many animals, from hamsters and mice to complete herds of cattle, have been bred in that manner. Research with human eggs has shown that damage to chromosomes should not occur in the early stage. The most difficult technique has been to persuade the body of the prospective mother to reaccept a fertilized egg: that will be the main question by doctors wishing to adopt Mr Steptoe's technique.

As reimplantation has to be done at the precise part of the menstrual cycle when the body is most ready to accept fertilization, there will be questions about the possibility of the new baby's having occurred naturally.

Radar may track movements of night herons

From Ronald Faux
Edinburgh

The nocturnal wanderings of the night herons at Edinburgh Zoo may be monitored by radar if an idea from Stirling University's psychology department proves feasible. Use of the aircraft surveillance radar at Edinburgh airport has been proposed by Mr John Ison, a research student at Stirling, who is studying behaviour patterns in animals.

It was felt that the Edinburgh night herons would make an excellent case for investigation.

Three pairs of the birds were introduced to Edinburgh in 1936 from North America. In December, 1950, one pair escaped through a hole in the aviary roof and five months later, when the entire roof was removed by a gale, the whole colony was freed. They chose to nest in the zoo grounds, where 40 of them now go about their secretive and crepuscular ways.

One pair can be seen as grey sentinels perched high in an ornamental tree

But where the herons go between dusk and dawn, and how they have adapted to a lifestyle that has the best qualities of captivity and freedom, has fascinated Mr Ison. His post-graduate studies of foraging behaviour led him to approach the airport authorities, about two miles from the zoo, to find out how discerning between aircraft and large birds their radar would be.

"It is impossible to follow the herons in the pitch dark", he said.

A senior telecommunications engineer at the airport said the path of birds flying up the Forth estuary had been tracked.

Radar clutter caused by the movement of flocks of birds was known as "angels". Edinburgh radar had early registered "angels" from what was identified as the large colony of starlings nesting on the Forth Bridge. But tracking the night heron would probably be easier if a signal device could be fitted to the birds.

Mr Heath stalks Prime Minister over Europe

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In the intensity of the discussions no one remembered to ask Mr Heath.

The episode clarifies the continuing delicacy and fragility of Conservative relationships, and the fact that Mr Heath will be taken for granted only at Mrs Thatcher's peril.

However, Mr Heath is clearly intent on taking up the cudgels against Mr Callaghan over Europe.

He is to make a speech tonight on the latest "Euro-currency" controversy.

Mr Heath is said to believe that the whole issue of currency stability schemes, with their implied stimulus towards European union, had been distorted by Mr Callaghan.

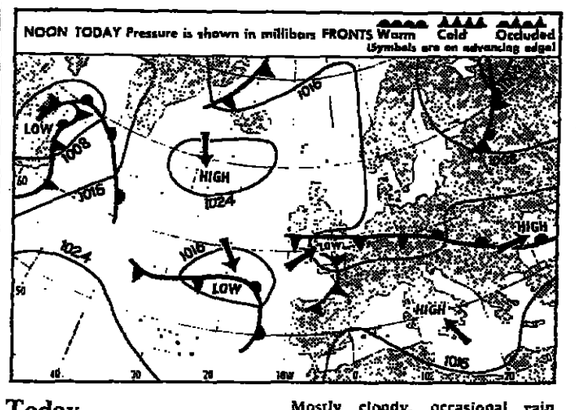
The astonishing contrast between Mr Callaghan's statement on Monday to the Commons and the contempt for the scheme reported at the Treasury, in an article in *The Times* yesterday, is also to be raised by Mr Heath.

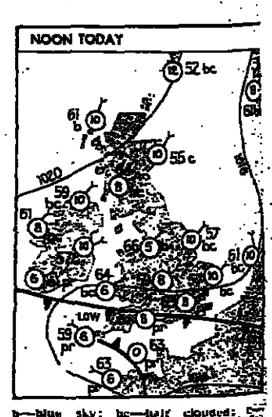
In the Commons yesterday Mr Heath rose for the second day in succession to question Mr Callaghan, but it was already two minutes past the end of question time and he failed to catch the Speaker's eye. An earlier question from Mr Roderick MacFarquhar, Labour MP for Belper, about the article brought the implausible retort from the Prime Minister about reporters: "I think that on the whole they reinterpret what they themselves said."

Sharp Conservative scepticism over Mr Heath's return to the fold was expressed last night by Mr Stephen Eyres, secretary of the right-wing Selsdon group. In a speech in Surrey he derided Mr Heath as "no vote-getting political macho-man", and said the party was in for a "very bad time" if it turned out that "every utterance of Mrs Thatcher has to be double-checked to ensure that it is not going to offend Mr Heath".

Mr Eyres, prospective Conservative candidate for Waltham Forest, Walthamstow, called on Mr Heath to show a readiness to modify his view of the "infallibility of 1970-74" and accept what he called the "new consensus" within the Conservative Party in favour of the free market and limited government.

Weather forecast and recordings





b—blue sky; bc—fair clouded; c—cloudy; o—overcast; f—fog; d—drizzle; h—hail; n—mist; s—rain; t—thunderstorm; p—showers; py—periodical rain with snow.

Today

Sun rises: 4.57 am Sun sets: 9.15 pm
Moon rises: 12.25 pm Moon sets: 12.11 am Tomorrow
First quarter: Tomorrow.
Lighting up: 9.45 pm to 4.28 am.
High water: London Bridge, 6.47 am, 6.7m (21.9ft); 6.53 pm, 6.5m (21.4ft). Avonmouth, 11.59 am, 11.4m (37.4ft). Dover, 3.54 am, 5.7m (18.8ft); 4.13pm, 5.9m (19.4ft). Hull, 10.56am, 6.6m (21.6ft); 11.41 pm, 6.1m (20.0ft). Liverpool, 3.58 am, 8.3m (27.2ft); 4.32 pm, 8.0m (26.1ft).

Pollen count: The pollen count issued in London yesterday by the Asthma Research Council was 21, low.

Pressure will remain high to the NW, with a weak trough slowly moving across S England.

Forecast for 6 am to midnight

London, East Anglia, Midlands, S Wales. Rather cloudy, occasional rain, bright intervals; wind NE, light; max temp 20°C (68°F).

SE, Central, S England. Mostly cloudy, occasional rain, hill fog; wind variable light; max temp 19°C (66°F).

E, Central N, NE England. Cloudy, drizzle in places early, sunny intervals; wind NE light; max temp 20°C (68°F).

Channel Islands, SW England. Mostly cloudy, occasional rain, hill and coastal fog patches; bright intervals; wind variable light; max temp 17°C (63°F).

N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW and NW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Dry, sunny periods; wind variable light; max temp 23°C (73°F).

Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney: Mostly cloudy, hill fog, drizzle in places early; bright intervals; wind N, light; max temp 14°C (57°F).

Shetland: Mainly dry, some sunny intervals; wind N, light; max temp 13°C (55°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Mostly dry, sunny intervals, occasional showers, chiefly in S.

Sea passages: S North Sea: Wind E or NE, moderate; sea slight.

Strait of Dover: Wind E, moderate becoming variable or S, light; sea slight, becoming smooth.

English Channel (E): Wind SE or variable, light; sea smooth.

St George's Channel: Wind NE, light; sea smooth.

Irish Sea: Wind E, light; sea smooth.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 7 am to 7 pm, 21°C (70°F); min, 7 pm to 7 am, 11°C (52°F). Humidity, 7 pm, 62 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 7 pm, nil. Sun, 24hr to 7 pm, 8.6hr. Bar. mean sea level, 7 pm, 1,013.7 millibars, steady.
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

At the resorts

24 hours to 6 pm, July 11

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max temp °C	°F	
E COAST					
Scarborough	13.7	—	15	59	Sunny
Bridlington	9.5	—	14	57	Sun mly
Cromer	9.5	—	13	55	Sun mly
Clacton	6.2	—	16	61	Sun mly
Herne Bay	6.3	—	16	61	Sun mly
Margate	5.3	—	15	59	Cloudy
S COAST					
Hastings	5.6	—	20	68	Sun mly
Eastbourne	7.5	—	19	66	Sun mly
Brighton	3.7	—	19	66	Sun mly
Bognor	4.1	—	19	66	Cloudy
Southsea	0.3	—	20	68	Cloudy
Sandown	0.9	—	17	63	Cloudy
Bournemth	0.7	—	19	66	Cloudy
Exmouth	0.0	.59	16	61	Rain pm
Torquay	0.0	.91	15	59	Rain
Falmouth	0.0	.15	14	57	Cloudy
W COAST					
Morecambe	14.1	—	21	70	Sunny
Blackpool	13.1	—	20	68	Sunny
Anglesey	14.0	.04	20	68	Sunny
Ilfracombe	0.0	.11	16	61	Cloudy
Newquay	0.0	.89	15	59	Cloudy

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; s, sun; th, thunder.

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Aberdeen	s	17	63	Cologne	c	20	68	Lisbon	f	25	77	New York	f	24	75
Algiers	s	30	86	Corfu	c	27	81	Locarno	c	20	68	Nice	f	25	77
Amsterdm	s	18	64	Dublin	c	16	61	London	s	19	66	Oslo	f	23	73
Athens	s	30	86	Florence	f	27	81	Luxembourg	s	20	68	Paris	c	27	81
Barcelona	s	28	82	Funchal	f	23	73	Madrid	s	31	88	Reykjavik	c	13	55
Beirut	s	29	84	Geneva	th	20	68	Majorca	s	27	81	Rome	s	26	79
Berlin	s	21	70	Gibraltar	s	27	81	Malaga	s	31	88	Stockholm	c	14	57
Biarritz	c	20	68	Guernsey	c	16	61	Malta	s	29	84	Tel Aviv	s	29	84
Birmingham	c	19	66	Helsinki	s	23	73	Miami	s	32	90	Toronto	s	21	70
Bristol	c	17	63	Innsbruck	s	23	73	Montreal	s	19	66	Venice	f	26	79
Brussels	c	20	68	Istanbul	s	30	86	Moscow	th	14	57	Vienna	f	22	72
Budapest	s	22	72	Jersey	c	16	61	Munich	s	21	70	Warsaw	f	18	64
Cardiff	c	18	64	L Palmas	c	23	72	Naples	s	33	77	Zurich	f	21	70

Overseas selling prices

Austria, Sch 18; Belgium, Fr 25; Canaries, Pes 60; Denmark, Dkr 2.50; Finland, Fmk 3.00; France, Frs 3.00; Germany, Dmk 0.80; Greece, Dr 50; Holland, Dfl 0.80; Hongkong, HK$ 4.00; Italy, Lire 700; Luxembourg, Lf 25; Malaya, $ 4.00; Malta, 15c; Norway, Kr 4.50; Portugal, Esc 30; Spain, Pes 60; Sweden, Skr 4.00; Switzerland, Fr 0.80; U.S.A./Canada, $1.00; Yugoslavia, Din 24.

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ing nearly a million workers, and the Prime Minister had recently urged the need for a formula to be found to settle local grievances before they turned to strikes.

It was one thing to say, but another to do. He thought that the increase in the number of stoppages was less the result of real grievances than a symptom of an underlying malaise.

The commonest causes of trouble, low pay, an unwieldy bureaucracy and poor personnel management were probably at the root of it. Whatever the causes, some means must be found to shield patients from harm during disputes.

The Government was still dodging the fact that the service was underfinanced, Dr Cameron said. Rather than trying to put it on its feet, the department had initiated another instalment of "robbing Peter to save Paul". Resources were being held back from the acute services to give priority to the chronic sick, the handicapped and the mentally ill.

No one would deny the need to improve those services, but even on economic grounds it was shortsighted and unwise to curtail the health care of the productive part of the population upon whose fitness for work the economic future must depend.

"A major injection of money, if necessary from sources other than the Exchequer, to resuscitate the NHS as a whole is essential", he said.

The 6 per cent of the gross national product allocated to health compared with the 7 to 8 per cent spent on health by most other European countries with far bigger GNPs. An increased 7 per cent in Britain would give the NHS another £1,100m, not enough perhaps, but at least a sum that would reverse what was happening now.

Dr Cameron said that the profession had become greatly concerned about the disclosure of medical information to people who were not adequately covered by a code of confidence. In many cases patients were totally unaware of what could happen.

The government plans for a computerized system of medical records of pre-school children without adequate safeguards on confidentiality was one example of a dangerous trend. Confidentiality was crucial to the doctor-patient relationship, and its maintenance was a principle upon which they would accept no compromise.

Government plans, already well advanced for computers to carry medical records in regional or area health authority districts, will be set back by the meeting's all but unanimous agreement not to cooperate if there was danger of a breach of patients' confidence.

With only one vote against, the meeting carried a motion that no doctor should be party to recording or holding clinical information on any computer system that could not completely safeguard the confidentiality of the information. The motion also required the Government to introduce adequate legislative safeguards before any further computer system is installed.

A second motion similarly carried insisted that access to identifiable information held in medical records should be restricted to the author and the person clinically responsible for the patient, or their successors unless otherwise specifically authorized by the doctor in the patient's interest.

Dr R. E. W. Fisher, chairman of the central ethical committee, opening the debate, said patients expected rightly and properly that information they gave their doctors would not be disclosed to "any rag-tag, bob-tailed, social scientist or any bureaucrat".

Dr David Thomas (Aldershot) said it had always been a cornerstone of medical practice that a patient could trust his doctor with the most intimate details of his life in the certain knowledge that they would remain confidential. The department was trying to push through a system that was cheap and, like all cheap tools, it was defective.

Dr W. J. Appleyard (Kent) said a doctor had to know all the relevant information about a patient and that was complete only when the doctor knew the patient's inner worries. Without certain confidentiality the doctor would no longer be serving the patient, but the state.

Mr Paul Vickers (Newcastle) emphasized the dangers of medical record computers being linked to other computers. Before the profession became involved they must be certain that the interests of individual patients would be protected.

Several speakers said that present proposals allowed access to information to all sorts of health-care workers and others. Department's reply: The Department of Health said later that it would continue with the design of the system, despite the BMA's decision, and the department would continue to have discussions with the BMA to try to satisfy the doctors.

The pilot project was not due to go ahead until the spring, which gave time for more talks. It was premature to consider legislative safeguards until the data protection committee had reported, the department said.

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Protest at 'secret' census of gypsies

By Our Social Services Correspondent

Protests against a "secret" census of gypsies, to be undertaken today by district councils in Britain, were launched last night by six organizations concerned with gypsy welfare. They said they had not been consulted about the census and feared it would lead to councils being given new powers against gypsies on the basis of the figures.

"No decisions on site provision must be made on the strength of a one-off count at a time when many gypsy families are working on farms in areas other than where they usually live", Mr Bill Forrester, of the Minority Rights Group, said last night.

"It is vital that the count should be done openly and fairly, and that the figures should be published and able to be challenged quickly, if necessary", he said.

The other organizations involved in the protest are the Gypsy Council, the National Council for Civil Liberties, Save the Children Fund, Quakers' Friends Community Relations Committee and the Advisory Committee for the Education of Romany and other Travellers. They said that none of them had been consulted over the census.

The Department of the Environment confirmed last night that district councils would be making a count of local gypsy populations at their request. But, a ?———? said, the date of the count had never been hidden and it would not be the only one.

The department planned to organize counts at half-yearly intervals.

Study of prospects for Britain in the 1990s

By Peter Hennessy

The National Economic Development Office (NEDO) is planning a study of the British economy in the 1990s. It will try to judge whether gloomy speculations about future supplies of energy, food and mineral resources are justified and will examine the effects of technological change and developments among competitor nations on the home economy.

The idea of the study was Asher, former deputy director-general of the office, who returned to his parent company, International Telephone and Telegraph, at the end of June. The project is being co-ordinated by Mr Roger Gibbs, head of the office's economic section.

Much secrecy surrounds the enterprise. Mr Gibbs told his colleagues in a minute on June 26 that the TUC wanted "a low profile" maintained about its efforts. "If it should be necessary to talk to outsiders about the subject, please do not say that the office itself is undertaking this exercise", he added.

Known as the "1990s project", Mr Gibbs's paper described its purpose as tracing the possible development of the British economy over the next 10 to 15 years and considering the impact of changes on the structure and performance of domestic industry. NEDO is seeking outside consultants to undertake much of the research.

The study will cover six areas: Technology; the impact of developments in the EEC; natural resource availability; effects of world industrial expansion; changing attitudes to work, leisure and consumption; labour supply.



Mr Bernard Asher: Initiated the research project.

The technology study will overlap the recently commissioned survey of microprocessors by the Cabinet's "think tank", the Central Policy Review Staff. The labour-saving and employment creation aspects of change will be treated by NEDO. The possibility of joint EEC projects will be examined, along with the implications of the community's regional and industrial policies.

Possible raw material shortages, especially in energy, foodstuffs, timber, rubber, cotton and wool will be foreseen. The movement of prices and the likely emergence of producer monopolies will be considered.

The impact of "super-competitor" nations on British industry is on the agenda.

The study has yet to be disclosed to NEDO's sector working parties. Its vagueness seems to be the inhibiting factor.

Wave power testing tank opened for research

From Ronald Faux
Edinburgh

A water tank that manufactures storms to order and is a principal instrument in wave energy research was declared open at Edinburgh University yesterday.

The £100,000 wave-testing tank, designed and built by the university's wave-power research team with help from the Department of Energy, is a remarkable stretch of water in which sea conditions from flat calm to a state of freak waves can be produced at the press of a button.

Yesterday simulated breakers in elegant profile and sliced by a glass screen so they could be observed were poured past onlookers. A trawler, built to scale on the miniaturized ocean, was flipped on to its back by a rogue wave summoned to the split second.

The point of such mastery over the sea was the university's investigation into harnessing the energy provided abundantly by the waves. The notable effort has been made by a team of scientists at the university using a line of "nodding bucks" to generate electricity from the sea.

Enthusiasts at yesterday's opening said that wave energy could eventually provide a third of Britain's power requirements. Clearly the Government is keen to investigate alternative sources of energy for when the oil wells run dry.

Mr Alexander Eadie, Under-Secretary of State for Energy who opened the tank, said the rate of assistance for wave energy research would effectively double this year.

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Mr Williams and Dafydd Wynford James, aged 26, are charged that between January 1 and February 9, 1977, they conspired together and with other persons unknown to commit criminal damage to a television installation at Blaenplwyf, near Aberystwyth.

They are also charged with conspiring with other persons unknown between January 1 and March 31, 1977, to cause criminal damage to television transmitters and installations in England and Wales.

Both men refused to plead, contending that the charges were political. Mr Williams said they would refuse to have "any part in this drama". Pleas of not guilty were entered for them.

Mr Esyr Lewis, QC, for the prosecution, said there was no direct evidence against the two men. They had accepted corporate responsibility for the raids on behalf of the governing senate of the society, and had admitted knowing that the raids were to be carried out as part of the society's campaign for a Welsh language television channel.

There was proof that both men knew of the raids in advance, and in law that was conspiracy.

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Michael Baily
port Correspondent

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French Railways has agreed in principle to buy a second craft for the Seaspeed service, which it operates jointly with BR. Highly attractive terms are being offered so that, as reported in The Times yesterday, Hoverlloyd is expected to order two N500s in the autumn with an option on another pair.

Crossing to France on the Super 4 and returning on the N500 in relatively smooth water yesterday, the latter was distinctly quieter, and her greater height out of the water reduces the spray. She is a double-decker with cars carried below and passengers above.

But the ride was bumpier, and passenger accommodation in terms of light, comfort and ease of entry and exit, was inferior to the Super 4. Given the greater reliability, manoeuvrability, and seakeeping quality of the British craft, the French clearly have some way to go to catch up.

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Man is banned from every pub in Britain

Thomas Williams, aged 24, accused of assaulting a publican, was banned from every public house and club in Britain yesterday. That condition of bail was imposed by magistrates at Havant, Hampshire, at the request of 28 publicans who were in court.

It is the first national ban, according to Mr John Walker, chairman of the South Downs branch of the National Association of Licensed House Managers. He said: "We shall be asking for similar bans on anyone accused of being violent in a pub."

The ban will last for three weeks until Williams, of Wadham Road, Portsmouth, reappears in court to stand trial. He is accused of assaulting a publican and a policeman

Princess Margaret

Princess Margaret's divorce from Lord Snowdon has been made absolute, it was announced from Kensington Palace yesterday.

The Priority of Priorities

is to save thousands of babies from needless handicap

What's Britain got that France, Sweden, Finland & Japan haven't?

More dead & handicapped babies!

Sad, but true. What is worse, it's avoidable.

You see, the statistics weren't always stacked against us. In 1960 the French infant death rate was 22% higher than ours, and we were on par with Finland. But, by 1972 the French rate was 10% lower and the Finnish rate was 30% lower.

So what did France and Finland do that we didn't? They didn't accept a second rate maternity service. The amazing drop in infant deaths which resulted was accompanied by an increase in the numbers of babies born free of handicap.

Our Government is aware of what can be achieved. These statistics all come from their own publications. Yet, still, they refuse to provide us with a first class maternity service. *So every year about 28,000 babies are damaged before, during or immediately after birth – many will be seriously handicapped for life. And 40% of the babies born spastic could have been born free of handicap.*

We, as a nation, need to practise what we preach: Prevention is better than cure. We want to save lives; save babies from needless handicap. This is what we call THE PRIORITY OF PRIORITIES.

The first priority is to apply the results of research and good medical practice throughout the National Health Service and private medicine. The second priority is to finance further research to ensure ultimately that all our babies are born free of handicap.

WHY MORE RESEARCH IS URGENTLY REQUIRED

1 Why does the incidence of infant death and handicap differ from area to area? Research is urgently required into this problem.
2 More research must be undertaken into the production of less expensive delivery room equipment, and into defects of staff training.
3 More research is needed into the problems of how, why and where cerebral palsy occurs.
4 More research needs to be carried out in the field of human genetics.
5 More research is needed into the causes of prematurity and low birth-weight in babies, as such babies are always at risk.
6 More research is needed into the management and causes of oxygen deprivation, which potentially is one of the most crippling hazards of childbirth.
7 More research is needed into the complex factors involved in maternal malnutrition.
8 More research is required into the treatment, education and quality of life of spastic people.

The wealth of our nation is the health of our babies. If Government cannot, or will not, finance the necessary research, then we must do everything possible to see that this vital work is carried out. The Spastics Society appeals to you to give generously. But it is not only your money that we ask for, but your will and determination. Together we can begin to change the face of handicap.

British babies can, and must have as good a start in life as babies born in France, Sweden, Finland and Japan.

save a baby – from being born spastic

The Spastics Society

Open up your purse and pick up your pen.

To: The Spastics Society, 12 Park Crescent, London W1N 4EQ.
I support your 'Save-A-Baby' campaign by sending you my donation of £
(cash, postal order/chequebook No. 502565/6) Please send cash by registered mail and cross postal orders and cheques.
This if receipt required.
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Also, I am interested in having more information on your 'Save-A-Baby' campaign.
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PARLIAMENT, July 11, 1978

Nationalization: PM sees considerable future for the NEB

House of Commons

Signs that the Conservative Party would not abolish the National Enterprise Board if returned to government would come as a considerable relief to many hundreds of thousands of workers in this country, the Prime Minister said at question time.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Leader of the Opposition (Barnet, Finchley, C) had said—Has the Prime Minister studied the latest evidence published yesterday on people's attitude to further nationalization? It showed that 80 per cent of people do not want any schemes of further nationalization, even a majority of those people in the Labour Party.

Why does Mr Callaghan and his party keep their commitments to extensive schemes of further nationalization of whole industries and major companies?

Mr James Callaghan (Cardiff, South-East, Lab)—Yes, I always look at all polls in the newspapers. (Labour laughter.) I do not necessarily believe all their conclusions, she will be relieved to hear. (Renewed Labour laughter.)

On the particular poll to which she refers, I am not unaware of the feelings as expressed in this particular matter. That is why I believe organizations like the National Enterprise Board have a considerable future to play. I am glad because it will combine both private and public enterprise and funds.

I am glad to hear that the Conservative Party seems to be showing signs now, and according to their latest document or speeches as I understand them, that they do not propose to Abolish the National Enterprise Board. That will come as a considerable relief to many hundreds of thousands of workers in this country.

Mrs Thatcher—As usual Mr Callaghan has inadvertently omitted to answer the question. Why do he and his party still stick to extensive schemes of further nationalization of whole industries and companies?

Does his last reply mean that nationalization is never off the agenda?

Mr Callaghan—When I made the reply that nationalization was never off the agenda, I was considering what the previous Government had to do in nationalizing Rolls-Royce. (Labour cheers.) When they are driven to nationalization it shows even they must at times face the reality of the situation. We shall continue to do so, as we face the problems of these industries.

I dare say if the Opposition ever came to power again and were faced with another situation like Govan Shipbuilders, or Rolls-Royce, they would overcome their prejudices and nationalize once more as they did last time.

Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk (Ormskirk, Lab)—The Opposition have nothing better to do than to subject others to personal abuse.

The Prime Minister should spend some time on outlining Opposition policy for increasing council house rents, increasing prescriptions charges and dental charges. (Opposition protests.)

Mr Callaghan—I had noticed that the Opposition wished to keep, if they ever come to power, public expenditure constant. If so, and in view of the large increases in the number of elderly people, and their proposals for additional defence expenditure, I do not see any escape from the alternative that they would have to charge heavily for operations, stays in hospital or visits to the doctor.

I noted what was said (about Sir G. Howe). I was reflecting on the Chancellor of the Exchequer's remarks last week, which I thought a little unseemly. But being attacked by Mr William Whitelaw is not so much like being savaged by a dead sheep as being muzzled by a friendly old sheepdog. (Loud laughter.)

Sanctity for bodies even after death

There must remain some sanctity for the body even after death, Mr Dafydd Wigley (Caernarvon, Pl Cymru) said when he successfully sought leave to present the Coroners (Amendment) Bill to amend the Coroners (Amendment) Act, 1926, in relation to the power of removal of a body for post-mortem examination.

Mr Wigley said the object of his Bill was to allow the next-of-kin of a deceased person to object on grounds of conscience or religious belief to a post mortem examination. He hoped this would lead to a situation where a post mortem examination would only be asked for by a coroner in a genuine case of uncertainty.

It was piling agony on to grief for relatives when a post mortem was demanded on a man who had been visibly dying from the effects of a dust disease like pneumoconiosis or silicosis for months or years.

He had heard harrowing tales in his constituency caused by the operation of the present sloppy, callous and unnecessary law.

The Bill would deal with one small but traumatic area of suffering endured by bereaved families. The agony he sought to reduce was that caused by the almost inevitable decision to subject the body of a deceased person who had suffered from industrial dust disease to a post mortem.

The Bill was read a first time.

Prescription charges

Mr Roland Moyle, Minister of State for Health, in a written reply, said—It remains our intention to phase out prescription charges when the resources available to the health service permit. In England last year 63 per cent of NHS prescriptions were dispensed without charge and 39,000 six-monthly and 185,000 12-monthly prepayment certificates were issued to patients not otherwise exempt from charges.

When wives pay too much tax they will get it paid back direct

The genuine complaint of wives that their income tax repayments had frequently been paid to their husbands, was dealt with in a New Clause (Tax repayments to wives), Mr Joel Barnett, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, said when the report stage of the Finance Bill was continued.

Mr Barnett (Heywood and Royton, Lab) moving the new clause, said pay-as-you-earn tax was paid by six million women.

It is incredible that this had not been done before, he said. The clause did not deal with the fundamental problem of aggregation, which had been on the statute book as long as income tax itself and went back to 1806. The Equal Opportunities Commission, which had helped with the new clause, recognized that there were major difficulties involved in changing the system of aggregation.

He and the commission looked forward to seeking the replies likely to a document the commission sent out on the problems and various options in dealing with aggregation.

As a result of the widest consultations arising out of the discussion on that document it might be possible to resolve some of the inherent difficulties in changing the aggregation system.

The new clause extended repayments of tax to the wife from the period of the tax year in which the payment was made. Where the wife was the breadwinner it enabled her to obtain the allowances the husband would have had if he had been working.

Administrative action was also being taken to deal with legitimate complaints of married women at work, such as correspondence being sent to their husbands. Correspondence on the wife's income would in future be sent to the wife.

The form of words on Tax Form 33 which were insulting to women: "If you are married and living with your husband do not bother completing this form, hand it to him", would be removed.

Another administrative change designed to help women was to make available the option of separate assessment, which was quite different from separate taxation. It would be of interest to higher rate taxpayers. Each claim could be dealt with separately. Far too few married women knew of this option and leaflets would be available on it towards the end of this year.

On Schedule D, it would sometimes require complex legislation to separate allowances between husband and wife. It would be difficult to ensure whether the allowance should be allocated to the particular spouse assessed under Schedule D or Schedule E. There could be awkward disputes between spouses.

The simplest solution would be to claim separate assessment, which he hoped to be able to make clear during the year. He would be happy to look at this matter to see if they could deal with it.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, chief Opposition spokesman on Treasury affairs (East Surrey, C), said the clause had a rather cosmetic quality about it. It seemed to be a less than adequate response to the growing chorus of complaint about the way the tax system operated as between the sexes. At least Mr Barnett had recognized the problem which had caused resentment. But the clause did not deal with the problem where a husband was liable to tax at the higher rate or that where a wife had been assessed other than under Schedule E.

The very fact that in a provision designed to emancipate women they found such qualifications lurking showed how far they had to go.

The wife would still have to disclose to the husband her possession of an investment income. She would not be able to accumulate or maintain a secret nest egg. In other cases she would require her husband's written consent to get tax relief. It was a remarkable proposition that a woman's income chargeable to tax should be deemed for tax purposes to be that of her husband.

As long as this was the foundation of the tax regime they should not be surprised if the system gave rise to more and more examples of discrimination which was resented, could not be justified, and made little sense in the kind of society today.

It might have been all right in 1846 or even in 1942 but only just in the latter case. But since then there had been great changes in the nature and scale of women's involvement in economic life. Married women's earnings had risen greatly.

Income tax had long since ceased to be something payable only by middle class men. It was payable by men and women of all classes. What was designed for *The Forsyte Saga* now bit deeply into the pockets and purses of men and women in *Coronation Street*. The thing had been transformed. Women had become taxpayers on a large scale and increasingly questioned the basis of the system.

It was understandable that there should be reluctance to make changes in the system as they had become used to it. The existing PAYE system had many conveniences for dealing with the complex changing pattern of husbands and wives at work, but those conveniences would not in the end be sufficient justification for leaving the present system unchanged.

In theory at least the British tax system, in contrast to others, was based on the concept of the family as a taxable unit. The alternative was to base it on the individual as the unit. The odd thing was that the system based on the family favoured in fiscal terms the married woman who went out to work.

It is open to question (he said) whether we should have a fiscal system which is not neutral but actually encourages the mother and wife to go to work and does not give comparable recognition to the mother and wife who stays at home.

Mr Anthony Newton (Braintree, C) said the clause plainly did not apply to any wife who was self-employed and did not apply to any woman who had even a little self-employment. Similarly, if her husband had an income which took him into the higher tax rates again the wife did not get the benefit.

He moved an amendment to delete the provision that the new clause should not apply to any repayment for a year of assessment for which the husband was chargeable to income tax at higher than the basic rate or for which any of the wife's earned income had been assessed otherwise than under Schedule E.

The clause was much more limited than it appeared on the face of things, he said.

Neither the clause nor anything the Government had done in the past few weeks touched the fundamental problem of the aggregation, the fact that legally the wife's income was that of her husband. The point at which that would remain acceptable to the majority of women was rapidly disappearing.

Almost inevitably the way forward was that they should move to a situation in which each adult was entitled to a personal allowance on his or her own and that in the case of a married couple those allowances were transferable not simply from a wife to a husband but also, in cases where the wife might be the breadwinner, from the husband to the wife.

Mr Marcus Kimball (Gainsborough, C) said he did not believe there was a horde of hardworking big-earning women rushing around the country demanding this change. He was glad it was not being extended to unearned income. He hoped they would not rush headlong down this slope. He regarded the manoeuvre with some suspicion.

Mr John Cronin (Loughborough, Lab) said the new clause was admirable in every way but there was room for much more for women. The time had come when the idea that men and women should be treated separately on taxation matters was nonsense.

Mr Joel Barnett said Sir Geoffrey Howe's remarks about the days of the *Forsyte Saga* when working women did not pay income tax were quite remarkable. Of course they did not pay income tax; they did not have much income either. It was a different situation.

The amendment was unworkable. There were problems of dual assessment and difficulties for the Inland Revenue in knowing when the Schedule D tax was paid. The husband might already have paid Schedule D tax in his assessment in relation to his wife.

The Opposition would not achieve their objective by the amendment. They would be creating problems between spouses.

The amendment was rejected by 259 votes to 248—Government majority, 11, and the new clause agreed to.

Profit sharing: Mr Robert Sheldon, Financial Secretary to the Treasury (Ashton-under-Lyne, Lab), moved a Government new clause (Schedule D deduction of payments to trustees) to make clear the situation concerning deductibility for corporation tax purposes of sums of money spent by companies on profit-sharing schemes, available to them in this year's Finance Bill.

He said the Government had specified two conditions to enable those sums to qualify for deduction. The first was that the sums must be used within nine months of the end of an accounting period for the purchase of shares and that the amount should be necessary to meet reasonable expenses.

An associated amendment provided that a controlling company could extend profit-sharing schemes to its subsidiaries.

The new clause was agreed to.

Bus schemes extended to include hiring

House of Lords

The scope of the community bus services will be extended under Government amendments made to the Transport Bill during the report stage.

On Clause (Community bus services), Lady Stedman, Baroness in Waiting, moving an amendment which was considered with a group of similar amendments and a new clause, said the main purpose of the community bus was to provide a regular public transport service to meet the everyday needs of people. The revenue from that basic stage service was not enough to meet the costs of running the vehicle, in particular capital cost and depreciation, so subsidy from the county council would be necessary. That should be kept as small as possible.

The existing community bus groups had kept their overall deficit down by operating a few excursions and tours, and by contract hire on a modest scale. The revenue helped to subsidize the less remunerative but essential stage services.

The clause was drawn to allow the Traffic Commissioners to authorize the community buses to run excursions and tours, but it could be narrowly construed so the amendments and new clause made it clear that excursions and tours were covered.

It was becoming increasingly clear from the evidence that private hire was an equally important source of finance. Under the clause a community bus would need a public service vehicle licence for the vehicle and driver hired out to undertake contract work.

Although the community bus operators could have got around the obstacle by advertising private hire services and by some other technical device, it would have required them to have a road service licence, which was an unduly bureaucratic and almost underhand way of proceeding, so it was better to face the problem squarely and provide for it in the Bill.

The new clause and other amendments provided that the Traffic Commissioners could authorize the community bus to do private hire work, but incorporated a number of safeguards: The community bus could only do private hire work if it was authorized to do so by the Traffic Commissioners and they had powers to impose such restrictions as they thought fit.

It provided that a vehicle used must be the same one used on a regular basis for the community bus service so that the organizer could not employ an additional vehicle solely for private hire work.

It provided that the Traffic Commissioners had to be satisfied before authorizing operators as a contract carriage that it was reasonable in all the circumstances with a view to financial support of the community bus service.

Lord O'Hagan (C), for the Opposition, said they accepted the principle but reserved their position on the amendments

The amendments and new clause were agreed to.

Inland waterways: Lord O'Hagan, for the Opposition, moving a new clause to provide a statutory duty for the Secretary of State to get on with the job of developing a policy for inland waterway commercial transport, said that because the waterways were neither specifically transport nor environment, little had been done.

Lady Stedman, Baroness in Waiting, said the Government were concerned about the inland waterways. They had not been abandoned. They were practicable for freight transport

The Secretary of State was waiting for the British Waterways Board to bring forward their proposals for the development of freight transport and the Government would then look at those proposals with sympathy but within the terms of the money available and the investment appraisal in the public sector as a whole.

The amendment was carried by 42 votes to 30—majority against the Government, 12.

The report stage was concluded.

House adjourned, 9.55 pm.

Parliamentary notices

House of Commons

Today at 2.30: Finance Bill, further progress on report.

House of Lords

Today at 2.30: Parliamentary Pensions Bill, Homes Insulation Bill, and Employment (Continental Shelf) Bill, all second readings.

Ballot of consultants satisfies minister

Mr Stanley Orme, Minister for Social Security, said he was satisfied with the coverage of the ballot of consultants on the proposed new pay contract.

He told Mr Laurence Pavitt (Brent, South, Lab)—After receiving a number of representations, including a letter from the chairman of the National Health Service consultants' association, the Secretary of State for Social Services (Mr David Ennals) wrote to the BMA seeking an assurance that virtually full coverage of the members eligible to vote has been achieved. On the basis of their reply I am satisfied this was so.

Mr Pavitt—This proposed contract is not just on consultants' salaries but could affect the whole character of the NHS. As the whole-time consultants see it as a charter for private practice, will the minister ensure that before the Government takes a decision they have a monitoring to satisfy the doubts of the whole-time consultants that the coverage has been complete, or monitor whatever the BMA does in this connexion?

Mr Orme (Salford, West, Lab)—Two thirds of those eligible to vote did so. Of those, 70 per cent were in favour of accepting the new proposals subject to pricing, including just over 50 per cent of all NHS contract holders.

The BMA says it may hold a second ballot when the new one has been priced if it feels the profession should be consulted again.

Mr Neil Marten (Banbury, C)—There is anxiety among some consultants on pension arrangements. Was this covered in the contract?

Mr Orme—No. I will mention this to Mr Ennals.

Dr Maurice Miller (East Kilbride, Lab)—The position as he states it is not exactly correct in respect of some whole time consultants who feel that as some consultants were and are not members of the BMA, they were not involved in the ballot.

It would have been better for this ballot to have been conducted by the DHSS and not by the BMA.

Mr Orme—This ballot was conducted by the Electoral Reform Society on behalf of the BMA and every step was taken to see it was correctly carried out. Obviously some people, a minority did not get ballot papers.

Mr Patrick Jenkin, chief Opposition spokesman on the social services (Redbridge, Wanstead and Woodford, C)—Will Mr Orme dissociate himself from the criticism of Mr Pavitt? The Government have accepted the terms of this contract and the consultants have voted for it.

Mr Orme—There will possibly be a further ballot after pricing so a final decision has not yet been taken.

Waiting lists

The Department of Health and Social Security were trying to ensure that all general practitioners were circulated with waiting lists for particular specialties or all the hospitals in their area so that they could refer patients to where they were likely to get more rapid treatment, Mr Roland Moyle, Minister of State for Health, said.

Spending on drugs too high

Expenditure on drugs in the National Health Service was higher than the Government would like, Mr Roland Moyle, Minister of State for Health, said. They expected recently announced measures to lead to economies.

Mrs Jill Knight (Birmingham, Edgbaston, C) had asked about progress in the campaign to reduce wastage of drugs in hospitals.

Mr Moyle (Lewisham, East, Lab)—Many hospitals have established drugs and therapeutics committees whose tasks include the more economic use of drugs.

Representatives of these committees met recently to discuss how best to fulfil these functions.

The announcement on the prescribing which the Chairman of the Council of the BMA and the Secretary of State (Mr Ennals) issued jointly in April should have stimulated all doctors to seek ways of applying its principles to their particular fields of practice.

Mrs Knight—The amount of money spent in the health service on drugs is still rising considerably. Can Mr Moyle confirm that the most recent figure on the cost of drugs in the NHS is £87m per annum?

Is he expecting as a result of the measures he has just mentioned that that figure will be cut as substantially as those working in the NHS say it could be?

Mr Moyle—I will have to have notice in order to give the exact figure. Certainly expenditure on drugs in the NHS is higher than we would like. We certainly expect the measures we have announced to lead to economies.

Heavy demand for passports

Mr Evan Luard, Under Secretary for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, in a written reply, said—There has been a heavy and unexpected increase in passport applications this year. Priority is given to issuing passports by the date of travel indicated by applicants and, in consequence, non-urgent applications are now taking six weeks to process.

A temporary increase in staff levels at the Passport Office in Petty France has been authorized

Ribble Estuary wild life

Mr Denis Howell, Minister of State for Environment, in a written reply, said—Power to acquire land for nature reserves compulsorily under the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act, 1949, as amended, is vested in the Nature Conservancy Council.

The NCC is seeking to reach an agreement with the owner which would remove the threat to wild life in the Ribble Estuary.

Under the Act the council cannot contemplate compulsory purchase action until they have taken all reasonable steps to protect a site

Disabled exempt from vehicle duty

Mr Sheldon moved a new clause (Vehicle excise duty: Great Britain) to exempt those receiving the mobility allowance from the vehicle excise duty.

With it were considered a number of related new clauses and amendments, including an amendment by Mr Anthony Newton (Braintree, C) to make the date of implementation of the concession September 1 instead of December 1 as the Government proposed.

Mr Sheldon said December 1 was the earliest date the Department of Health and Social Security could implement the decision.

Mr Newton said he could not see why there should be a delay until the end of the year. It was not an enormously complex administrative problem to identify the people concerned.

The House would require a considerable justification on the Government's part for delaying this important concession.

There was also the problem that with an inadequate mobility allowance some disabled would be driven off the road and would lose the mobility they now had.

Mr Anthony Nelson (Chichester, C) said he also welcomed the new clause, but without wishing to throw cold water upon it he would sound one note of caution. They were making a qualitative judgment here as between classes of disabled people. As a general rule they should aim to give priority in terms of financial assistance relief to those in the greatest need. It was not clear that in providing this relief they were helping those disabled people who were most in need.

Mr Newton's amendment was rejected by 274 votes to 256—Government majority, 18, and the new clause was agreed to.

Mr Robert Sheldon, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, moved a new clause (Repayment of tax paid under police regulations) which, he said, was being introduced following a High Court decision that the provision of living accommodation for police officers did not result in liability to tax.

The clause would relieve police authorities of the obligation and repayments would be made to those who paid the tax in the first place. It was estimated the sums involved could be up to a total of £20m, with possibly extra sums for interest.

The new clause was agreed to.

A Conservative backbench new clause to free benefits of permanent health insurance policies from investment income surcharge was rejected by 264 votes to 239—Government majority, 25.

Historic buildings: Mr Robert Cooke (Bristol, West, C) moved a new clause (Extension of the application of maintenance funds for historic buildings) extending the benefits which at present apply under the maintenance funds provisions for buildings to the upkeep of gardens, arboreta and chapels.

Mr Denzil Davies, Minister of State, Treasury (Llanelli, Lab), said the maintenance fund provisions were only introduced in the 1976 Finance Act. It had taken a bit of time. Now there were at least two cases coming to fruition and only awaiting legal formalities. There were many more cases in the pipeline of people wanting to take advantage of the maintenance fund.

He had reservation about the part of the clause relating to the contents of a house. It could presumably apply, for example, to turning up the central heating to keep the Chippendale at the right temperature.

If gardens and aboreta were adjacent to buildings they were already covered, and this new clause would apply to those standing apart.

I am prepared (he said) to look at this sympathetically with a view to bringing new legislation in next year's Finance Bill to meet the spirit of the point about gardens and aboreta but not about contents

The new clause was rejected by 256 votes to 222—Government majority, 34.

DLT extension: The Government accepted an Opposition new clause (Development Land Tax—Extension of interim period) to extend for a year to March 31, 1980, the period for which development land tax would be levied at the lower rate of 66.6 per cent on realized developed value up to £150,000.

Tory move to help consortia fails

Mr John Cope (South Gloucestershire, C) moved a new clause to extend to consortia the principle whereby a trading loss by one company in a group could help to lighten the tax liability of those companies making a profit.

Mr John Cronin (Loughborough, Lab) said the clause left an open door for all kinds of companies to obtain tax advantages in the future by using the mechanism of being consortia.

Mr David Hunt (Wirral, C) said unless the clause was passed one of the country's major liner shipping groups, Overseas Containers Ltd, would be placed in a difficult position. If it was necessary for OCL to become a partnership then it would not, as it did now, own its ships. It would not have independent control of its own finances.

Mr Robert Sheldon, Financial Secretary to the Treasury (Ashton-under-Lyne, Lab), said it was not the Government's intention to force consortia into partnerships or groups.

Before they accepted so wide-ranging a principle as was contained in the new clause it needed much closer examination than could be given in the short interval between committee and report stages.

Passing it would give consortia certain advantages over groups and that would be a major anomaly. Mr Peter Rees, an Opposition spokesman on Treasury affairs (Dover and Deal, C), said they were not asking the Government to accept an anomaly but to put consortia in precisely the position of groups.

The new clause was rejected by 268 votes to 244—Government majority, 24.

BSC must shed excess capacity to survive

The Government would take all the steps that were necessary and appropriate to restore the British Steel Corporation to viability, Lord McCluskey, Solicitor General for Scotland, said when he moved the second reading of the Iron and Steel (Amendment) Bill. But, he added, this would be done in an orderly way without disruption and with the minimum of social hardship.

Lord McCluskey said the purpose of the Bill was to raise the statutory limits of the amount of external finances the British Steel Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiaries could raise by borrowing.

It followed from the Government's White Paper *The British Steel Corporation: the Road to Viability* published in March, 1978.

The Bill was needed to carry out the Government's commitment to retain in Britain the capacity for the making of bulk steel to underpin the Government's wider industrial strategy.

The extent of the borrowing powers in the Bill were designed to cover the needs of the corporation for the next three years. One needed only to look across to the continent to see the ill-effects of premature reconstruction.

He could not predict with any certainty when the lean years would end. The pattern of trade in steel had been changing, and would continue to change, to the disadvantage of traditional suppliers.

The EEC share of world steel production had fallen from 23 per cent in 1969 to less than 19 per cent in 1977, and the United States' share had come down from 22 per cent to below 17 per cent. Increases in capacity in developing countries, in Eastern Europe and in Japan, was resulting in over capacity worldwide and increased import pressures. In the face of that, British Steel were concentrating their efforts on improving quality and productivity.

The Government's view was that further rationalization would be necessary, but that should be considered on a step-by-step approach which would retain flexibility to adapt to unexpected changes. The Government had agreed that the corporation should seek to negotiate terms for the early closure of the high cost plants with the TUC steel committee and the local workforces concerned. Such consultations were not easy to carry through and required the determination and good will of those concerned.

The Government had made it clear to the corporation that the negotiating procedures must be closely followed. There were no short cuts, but the BSC must shed excess capacity to survive and pressure to keep one works open could only increase the necessity of shutting another.

The Government were determined to see BSC restored to lasting viability.

The step-by-step approach which the corporation had adopted meant that they must first of all concentrate on the policies to be followed and action to be taken during the financial year 1978-79. The corporation had projected on certain stated assumptions a loss of about £400m for the year. Management action was needed in close consultation with the TUC steel committee and local workforces to improve on the projected losses in every possible way.

It was unacceptable for a nationalized industry to make losses of that magnitude, even though conditions were difficult and international competition had increased.

The Government would be carefully monitoring the corporation's performance and results. They expected a substantial improvement over the year resulting from action by management and unions. They believed such progress to be desirable if a rate of break-even was to be achieved by March, 1980.

Viscount Long (C), for the Opposition, said that unless something was done now the industry could collapse. The Bill allowed borrowings by the corporation against a statutory limit at April 1, 1978, estimated to be £3,000m, and it was expected that the increased limit would cover the corporation's needs for the next three years.

Yet he had listened to Lord McCluskey saying he had doubts about what the future held. Has the Government done their sums right? Was three years a safe period even to put on to a memorandum? They should be looking further ahead.

The Bill was read a second time.

The House of Commons Administration Bill was read the second time.

The Community Service by Offenders (Scotland) Bill completed its committee stage.

Complaints against the police

Dr Shirley Summerskill, Under Secretary, Home Office, in a written reply, said—In 1977 a total of 27,450 complaints were made against members of police forces in England and Wales, of which 16,935 had been investigated or withdrawn by the end of the year.

Of 3,999 cases referred to the Director of Public Prosecutions under Section 49 (3) of the Police Act, 1964, 3,785 had been determined. Criminal proceedings were recommended in 156 cases, and had by the end of the year resulted in 94 convictions.

Correction

Mr Nicholas Ridley (Cirencester and Tewkesbury, C) in opposing on June 20 the introduction of the Companies (Registration of Political Funds) Bill, said that 52 per cent of the members of TASS (the Technical and Supervisory Section of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers) were contracted out of the political levy, not TSSA—the Transport Salaried Staffs' Association—as reported.

Oxford class lists in natural science

The following class lists have been issued at Oxford University:

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(D) indicates candidates adjudged worthy of distinction in the supplementary subjects. The other letters indicate candidates who satisfied the examiners in supplementary subjects as follows:

(B) biochemistry
(H) history and philosophy of science
(L) molecular biophysics
(M) mineralogy
(P) chemical pharmacology
(Q) quantum chemistry
(S) structure and properties of materials

University news

Oxford

Sir Rudolph Peierls, FRS, MA, emeritus Wykeham Professor of Physics, has been elected to the Cherwell-Simon Memorial Lectureship for 1978-79.

Elections and awards.

Vinerian Scholarships: S. Moriarty, Brasenose College, J. H. C. Morris Prize in Conflict of Laws: R. P. Whish, Worcester College. Craven Fellowships: R. B. Rutherford, scholar of Worcester College: D. G. J. Shipley, scholar of Wadham College. Derby Scholarship: Teresa M. J. Paskiewicz, scholar of Hertford College. Thomas Whitcombe Green Scholarship: Patricia A. Foster, Somerville College. MAGDALEN COLLEGE: Fellowship by special election, with effect from 1 Oct, as university lecturer in music, Dr B. Bujic, DPhil.

PEMBROKE COLLEGE: Honorary fellowships, Sir Thomas Hopkinson, author and journalist, Mr N. S. Marsh, QC, law commissioner and member of the Royal Commission on Civil Liberty and Compensation for Personal Injury.

Liverpool

First-class degrees

BA: Classics, Latin, M. A. Shone, Elfed HS, Buckley: C. A. Wilson, Holt Comp, Liverpool. English language and lit: Claire Durkin, St Joseph's GS, Hebburn. Medl and mod history: R. A. Massey, Arnold Hill Comp S, Arnold. Music: P. F. Slacey, Bp Gore Comp S, Swansea. Philosophy: M. J. Morony, Wallasey CFE. Architecture: R. Greenwood, De Burgh Sec S, Tadworth: D. Turnbull, N Gloucester C of T: C. F. Winter, Portsmouth GS. Computal science and maths: Jacqueline Carter, Quarry Bank GS, Liverpool. Geography: V. J. Budd, St Mary's RC GS, Sidcup: Janet L. Dean, K Edward VI Comp S, Birmingham. Pure maths: R. B. Wilson, Ashton-in-Makerfield GS. Sociology: Joy R. Price, The Queen's S, Chester. Social studies: Joan Osborne, N London Coll S. Economics and maths Anne C. Shepherd, Blackpool Coll GS.

BSc: Biochemistry P. G. Milner, Karen L. Rogers, Rosebery CGS: Botany, A. J. Tunbridge, Launceston C. Chemistry: W. G. Cooper, Glan y Mor S, Pwllheli: Janice P. Caton, Holly Lodge HS, Liverpool: N. T. Jones, K Edward's S, Birmingham: W. Read, Birkenhead S. Comput science: Carole Goodman: Put M. Chua, W Malaysia. Environ biology: A. D. M. Hart, Alleyne's S, Stevenage. Marine biology: T. M. Webb, Sandown HS, Isle of Wight. Mathematics: Alison P. Hawthorne, Bloomfield Coll S, Belfast. R. A. Norman, Q Elizabeth's GS, Blackburn: J. J. Thacker, Chase Terrace, GS, Walsall. Math physics: S. M. Fanning, Cardl Allen GS, Liverpool: J. P. McTavish, Huyton Hey Sec Mod: R. J. Parsons, Ellesmere Port GS. Math statistics: Adrianne M. Southworth, Winkley Sq Convent, Preston. Medical cell biology and biochemy: N. H. Cox. Microbiology: Fiona J. Cameron, Berwick Co GS: Denise E. Hutchins, Croydon HS. Pharmacology: Avril D. Whittaker, Q Mary S, Lytham St Anne's. Physics: Barbara J. Buchanan, Wk Bolton HS, Netherton: B. R. Campbell, Deacon's S: D. N. Cooper, Stoke-on-Trent SFC: L. F. Cox, Waterloo GS, Crosby: R. Daniel, Stockport S. Combined studies, J. Rogan, Brookfield Comp S, Kirkby: A. G. Rutter, Bridgnorth Endowed GS. LLB: Melanie C. Black, Sheffield HS: Susan L. Burns, Merchant Taylors' GS, Crosby: D. Davidson-Lond, Liverpool Inst: Carrie J. Rebel, W Kirby GS. MB, ChB: Sarah Beadle, Sunderland Church HS: M. Deakin, Bolder GS: R. W. Henshor, East Ham C: D. J. W. Norewood, Friars (Univ) S, Bangor: Avril F. Rowlinson, Loughborough HS, M. J. Walshaw, Granny GS: M. R. Zeiderman, Christ's C, Finchley. BVSc: C. Barton, Salford Tech C: Hilary J. Burbidge, Kenilworth GS: Ruth E. Corkhill, Duchess's GS, Alnwick: J. J. Hardy, St Bonaventure's S, Forest Gate: N. D. Griffiths, Llanfyllin HS: P. W. Harding, Bosworth S: C. H. Lloyd, Balshaws GS, Leyland: J. C. Low, Penrhos GS, M. Parne-Johnson, Dinnington HS: W. Riding: T. J. Saint, Langley Park S: A. Shuttleworth, Altrincham GS: R. Webster. Hutton GS: J. J. Yellowley, Blyth GS. BCom: D. F. Cross, Qu Mary's GS, Walsall. BEng Civil eng, A. G. L. Borthwick, St Boniface's C, Plymouth, S. B. Brundle, Wallasey CFE, R. R. Mohamad, Newark Tech C: S. M. White, Broxbourne S. Electronic eng R. G. Cheetham, Blue Coat CE Comp S, Oldham: I. H. Chin, HS, Malacca: D. Hampson, Dolsall CS: P. M. Hughes, Durham Johnson Sec S: J. W. Lim, St Joseph's Inst, Singapore: G. L. Ng, Klang HS, Selangor: N. C. G. Preston, J Lyon S. Electronics: K. Sloan, Ratcliffe C: C. M. Taylor, Ripley Tech S. Elec eng: C. J. Bower, Staveley-Neverthorpe GS: P. H. Mellor, Portsmouth GS. Eng science and indus managmt: J. Bradshaw, Farnham GS: L. J. Burrell, Willington HS, Wallsend: E. B. L. Tenlman, Earls HS, Halesowen. Mech eng: K. M. Balasubramaniam, Bukit Binihang S, Petaling Jaya: T. M. Branch, Ashton-in-Makerfield S: A. K. Foo, Gajah Berang Sec S, Malacca: P. Naylor, Merchant Taylor's S, Crosby: Jennifer Sinden, Lindsey C, Comp S, Cleethorpes. BEd: Alice J. Cookson: Sister Mary B. Flynn: Stephanie M. Muchmore.

Sussex

First-class degrees:

BA: American studies, B: C. H. Noble, Norton Hill Comp S, Midsomer Norton. Economics: H. Lockwood, Colchester RGS. English: S. T. G. Ennis, Bodales: A. F. Jenkins, London Nautical S: N. P. Mahony, Prior Park C: Jill Willder, Ashby GS: Christina I. J. Wilnyman, Worthing CFE. French lit: A. J. Martin, R Liberty S. French studies: J. Gaffney, C Keene CFE, Leicester. German: Angela M. Rutter, Camden S. History: D. M. Anderson, Kingswood Comp S. Cornm: M. F. Baker, Hazelwick Comp S, Crawley: Andrea E. Ball, Amos-Comenius-Gymnasium, W Germany: Juliet C. Kinchin Smith, Shene C: J. V. Marshall, Gunn HS, US. Internat relations: A. J. A. Chalcraft, Sondes Place S, Dorking: S. C. Keys, Dulwich. Italian, A. G. Clarke, Winchester. BA: Law: Nicola J. Davies, Blackheath HS. Music: Virginia M. Armstrong, Southampton SFC. Philosophy: K. V. McCulloch, Bromley CoT: K. G. Rhys-Jones, Wolverstone H. Politics: Brenda L. Wilkinson, Brighton Tech C. Religious studies: P. L. H. Cremer, Guildford Co Tech C: D. F. Johnson, Gosport C. Social anthropology: L. H. Kaplan Reading GS: Elizabeth Nissan, St Paul's. Social psychology: S. C. S. Abraham, Portadown C: Claire M. Witkowski, Gravesend S. Sociology: J. G. Sunkel, Liceo Manuel de Salas, Santiago.

BSc: Applied science with opnl tech: M. O. Gleson, Dreikönigs Gymnasium, Cologne. Biology: H. J. Drew, Bryanston: P. A. Rea, Beauchamp C: A. J. Slacey, Ecclesfield GS and Chelsea C, London Univ: K. P. Stares, Brune Park Comps, Gosport: Kathleen E. Snarkes, Gravesend S: Linda C. Smith, Kirklands, Selsey: R. M. Stephenson, Arnville C. Chemical physics: J. B. C. Whitaker, UCS. Chemistry: A. W. Dutt, Orange Hill Snr HS. Chemistry by thesis: R. J. Brisley, A. Hunter S, Braintree: T. A. Cooper, Bishop-halt S, Uxbridge, S. Monaco, Oxford Poly. Electronic engineering: S. Kirby, Englesfield S, Plumstead: M. Koohgoli, Brown and Brown Tutl C, O. A. Yedekcioglu, V. Portaz HS, Turkey. Environmental science: P. R. Shore, Chelmsford THS: A. J. Shutter, Fisher S. Experimental psychology: I. S. Grant, Manchester GS: Susan R. Hills, Barton Peverll S.

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Theoretical chemistry: R. W. Innes, S: Martin's S, Brentwood

BEd: Catherine M. Gilfillan, Wallace HS, Lisburn and E Sussex CHE; [illegible] Lovell, [illegible] Tech C, Stoke-on-Trent and E Sussex CHE: G. M. Muller, Taunton's S, Southampton and E Sussex CHE.

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From The Times of Saturday, July 11, 1953

Beria dismissed

The struggle for power in Russia, so confidently predicted by the outside world since Stalin's death, has broken out with all the traditional Russian suddenness and ruthlessness, and the opening move is cloaked in fantasy. The facts that can be taken for granted are few indeed. Beria has been struck down, apparently by Malenkov, apparently with Molotov's acquiescence, but the indictment and the action against Beria are made anonymously by the central committee of the Communist Party. All that is certain is that one of the triumvirs who stepped into Stalin's shoes, the one who was Malenkov's most powerful rival, has been struck before he himself could strike. From that point deduction and conjecture have to take the place of provable fact. The indictment and the Pravda article denouncing Beria are deliberately confusing and misleading documents, mainly containing charges that have become common form against anyone whom the Soviet regime wishes to silence. No one can believe that Beria, whatever his personal ambitions were, was deliberately traitorous or in league with western capital or wished to set up capitalism again in the Soviet Union . . . It is a struggle similar in many ways to that which Stalin himself won after the death of Lenin when the attempt to rule by committee broke down.

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HOME NEWS

Full strike threat in Civil Service dispute

By Donald Macintyre

Leaders of the main union representing industrial civil servants yesterday threatened a full strike, which, they said, would disrupt the country's defences.

The Transport and General Workers' Union's 90,000 members in government establishments have been taking limited action in support of their claim that their low pay entitles them to treatment as a special case.

They include workers in naval dockyards, RAF and army bases, as well as ministerial chauffeurs and some bar and canteen staff at the House of Commons.

Unions representing industrial civil servants, who are due for an annual pay increase from July 1, have rejected a pay offer of 10 per cent, which is within government guidelines, from the Civil Service Department. The TGWU says the take-home pay of most of the members involved is £40 a week or less.

Mr Michael Martin, public services national secretary of the TGWU, said yesterday that unless an improved offer was made "the joint trade union side will have to consider calling a total stoppage of the 183,000 workers" in the industrial Civil Service.

He said the unions wanted assurances of the kind made to the police, Armed Services and firemen and to the top salaried public servants dealt with in Lord Boyle of Handsworth's report, to ensure that industrial civil servants won parity with those doing similar work in industry by April, 1980. He added: "Many are working side by side with members of the Armed Services."

The union has been banning overtime and mounting short strikes at the Portland naval base, at the Faslane nuclear base in Scotland, at the 16 royal ordnance factories and at the Portsmouth and Rosyth dockyards. At Rosyth employees have refused to do work to allow two nuclear submarines, the Repulse and the Renown, to leave dock.

NUJ president's salary challenged

The decision of the executive of the National Union of Journalists to pay £3,500 to Mr Denis MacShane, its new president, during his term of office has been challenged by BBC journalists.

The BBC television news chapel (office branch) says the sum to be paid to Mr MacShane is more than the total union subscriptions of all NUJ members in BBC News, and should be withdrawn.

The union, which has 28,000 members, does not normally pay its president a salary but pays him £10 a day and expenses while on union business. But the union's executive has decided to make a special payment of £3,500 to Mr MacShane in recognition of the special circumstances of his position.

He was dismissed by the BBC last year after posing as a member of the general public for a phone-in programme and says that since then he has been unable to secure a regular staff job.

NUJ officials were not available for comment. The union has about 550 members in news departments and more than two thousand throughout the corporation.



Portrait discovery: A "hidden" portrait (above) has been discovered beneath a painting at the National Gallery which cleaning has shown to be an original work and not a copy.

"Four Figures at a Table" (right), previously catalogued as "after Louis Le Nain", has now been identified as by the artist himself, one of three brothers who painted in the seventeenth century. An X-ray image has disclosed beneath it a bust-length portrait of a dark, bearded man wearing a ruff, which could be the work of any of the brothers.

Study of the man's costume puts the date of the portrait in about the 1620s; scientific analysis has disclosed that he wears a grey doublet with cream or gold braiding.

Louis and his brothers frequently collaborated on their pictures



Leaflets and posters tell tormented Asians how to seek help

Police drive to win confidence of Bengalis

By Trevor Fishlock

The Spitalfields district of the East End of London, where Bengalis have been frequently harassed and attacked by white hooligans, is now the most heavily policed part of Britain.

"We badly need a period of calm here and to this end we have increased our strength substantially", Chief Inspector John Wallis, community relations officer for the area, said. "We feel we now have enough men to cope with the trouble."

The frightened Bengali community has made several appeals for more protection. With an unprecedented show of strength the police hope to end the wave of assaults that has made life wretched for many.

As the troubles have grown worse, and the glare of publicity has intensified, the police have been criticized for not doing enough. In the emotion generated by beatings, stonings and two deaths, the police have been accused not only of failing to arrest the Bengalis' tormentors but of being racially prejudiced themselves.

At the end of June, for example, 300 people, about a third of them white, marched in the East End beneath a banner saying "Stop racist murders. "No more police racism". There are stories in the East End that Asians who go to the police are asked for their passports to prove that they are not illegal immigrants.

Clearly one of the more important tasks of the police is to earn the confidence of the Bengali comunity. It is not easy. Many of the Bengalis speak little or no English and are illiterate in their own language. They work away in the little clothing workshops around Brick Lane, and take their grievances to their community leaders.

"The Bengalis have no tradition of taking their troubles to the police", Mr Wallis said.

Indeed, police in the East End have been in the unusual position of having the perpetrators of crimes confessing to incidents that have not, hitherto, been reported to them. Men brought in for questioning have confessed to scores of assaults that were never reported.

Clearly, many people who have been beaten up have crawled home to lick their wounds and have not told the police. Recently, several suspects questioned by the police gave details of 300 assaults; but the police knew of only 80 of them.

The police are trying to overcome the shyness of the Asian community. They are distributing 1,000 leaflets and 100 posters throughout the troubled parts of the East End telling residents how to seek police help and advice. Printed in English, Bengali and Urdu, they tell people what to do in an emergency.

"I know perfectly well that some people go around saying that policemen are members of the National Front", Mr Wallis said. "That happens to suit their political outlook.

"The idea of the police being racially biased is nonsense; and the suggestion that police have a down on coloured people is ridiculous. Policemen are chosen to act in an unbiased way.

"Some people have been complaining that we ask Asian people for their passports. Now, I am not saying that that has never happened; perhaps it has. But it does not happen as a general rule. It is not our general practice.

"On the other hand—and this is a sensitive area—we have to make inquiries if we suspect that someone is an illegal immigrant. That is our job. We cannot give a guarantee that people will not be questioned about their status, but we do not go out of our way to look for illegal immigrants."

Generally, the police regard the question of illegal immigration as merely a small aspect of their work. Their efforts today are directed at stamping out the assaults on Bengalis.

"One of our difficulties", Mr Wallis said, "is that newspapers and television expect us to say within minutes of an incident whether or not it was racial in origin. Of course, much of the trouble here is clearly racial; but not always. This has always been a high-crime area. It was high-crime before the Bengalis came."

The police do not care to discuss the activities of the extreme political groups that feed on the troubles of Spitalfields. The National Front holds meetings and sells its newspapers in Spitalfields, but its support and electoral performance in the area are poor.

The people of Spitalfields have a deep suspicion of the groups, whether on the extreme right or the deep left, who use the troubles of Spitalfields for their own ends.

What concerns the police is the threat that younger Asians might form vigilante groups to patrol the streets. The police understand the circumstances that fuel the talk of self-protection groups. "But the outcome can only be street warfare", Mr Wallis said. "It is one thing for young Bengalis to take courses in judo and karate; quite another thing for them to band together.

"The fact is that we are not complacent, not unsympathetic. We have a job to do and colour does not come into it. It is a difficult job, and we are trying to get it right. And we want all of the people of the East End to help us, because it is not a job we can do alone."

Union drive against NF activists

From Christopher Thomas
Llandudno

A campaign to persuade every trade union to mount a purge against National Front activists is being initiated by the National Union of Railwaymen after the emergence of evidence that the railways have been selected as a prime target for the National Front's propaganda drive.

The National Front Railwaymen's Association, operating from Teddington, London, is distributing leaflets which, apart from publicizing National Front policies, frequently carry highly personalized reports about union branch officials.

Mr Sidney Weighell, NUR general secretary, is initiating a move in the TUC equal rights committee to get all 115 affiliated unions to make provision in the rule book to expel people demed guilty of scurrilous political activity. The NUR rules say the union can fine or expel members for acts inconsistent with the duties they owe to the union.

National Front members will not automatically be expelled from the NUR. Mr Weighell said: "The offence is not membership of the National Front. It is abuse, misuse or prostitution of the union's machinery in any form for furthering the aims of the National Front."

A silent conference listened as a sample of a National Front Railwaymen's Association leaflet was read out containing a description of a named union official's supposed response to a NF circular.

"His face turned from bright red to a dark grey. Foam flecked his tips, and a damp patch began forming around his thighs, closely followed by an obnioxious smell." It continued in similar terms, ending with the conclusion that the person had now "learned his lesson".

Mr Weighell told delegates that when the first NF member was expelled and as a result lost his job because of the railways' closed shop policy theer would be a barrage of criticism and talk about the infringement of personal freedom. "It has not happened yet but I am waiting. Be careful to prepare yourselves for the battle."

He said he knew of no group so systematically organized as the NF Railwaymen's Association.

A motion condemning the NF was unanimously approved after a series of speeches containing allegations about NF activities on the railways

Mr John Scanlon, a Glasgow train driver and mover of the motion, called for the organization of a massive countervailing force against the programme of hate. Racialism, the National Front and fascism were a trinity founded in evil, he said.

The motion urged the police to pursue a sustained policy of prosecuting in cases of violation of the Race Relations Act, particularly on demonstrations and marches.

Mr Jack Nicholson, secretary of the union's Watford district council, which covers the area from Euston to Rugby, said it had not been possible to identify who was distributing NF leaflets. They were left annonymously in places where they would be seen by railway workers.

Unions clash over seats on the board

The National Union of Railwaymen wants unions to have a half share of seats on the British Railways board. But the decision, at yesterday's policy-making conference at Llandudno, conceals clashes between unions

Mr Sidney Weighell, NUR general secretary, said the industry was facing trouble over industrial democracy, and the board might not have proposals ready by August 1, the deadline set by the Government for nationalized industries' plans for worker participation.

There is no accord between the NUR and the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen (Aslef) over participation, and the board faces a long period of inter-union wrangling. Unions are represented on the regional structure, but Aslef has refused to take part.

The possibility that the NUR will push ahead without Aslef cannot be ruled out.

Fred the ferret gives way to longbow technology

From Tim Jones
Cardiff

Fred the ferret is sulking in his straw-line quarters in Gwent after a Welsh Water Authority decision to replace him because he cannot help to span the river Usk.

The ferret has been employed by the authority's Gwent division to combat the theft of ropes in cable ducts laid by contractors in the county.

Mr Ian Savage, the divisional engineer, explained that without a draw rope it is impossible to haul in the signal cable used for transmitting information between water treatment works, pumping stations, and local reservoirs.

The ferret goes into the duct to emerge a hundred metres away trailing a thin line. The cable rope is tied to it and pulled through.

But the board's engineers have decided that the ferret cannot help them to span the Usk where two cables laid on the river bed have been destroyed by exceptionally strong currents.

For a time they considered using the ferret to pull a line through a duct beneath the river bed, but that scheme has been abandoned, and the cables will instead be carried over the river.

The authority is now seeking a bowman to shoot a line across the river. Mr Savage hopes he will be a descendant of the Welsh longbowmen who helped Henry V to defeat the French at Agincourt.

Ten years' jail on attacker 'to cleanse society'

From Our Correspondent
Birmingham

Passing a 10-year prison sentence at Birmingham Crown Court yesterday on a man aged 19 who made a murderous attack on a woman of 84 in her home and then ransacked it, Mr Justice Melford Stevenson said: "I am not concerned with retribution. I am more concerned with an attempt to cleanse society of the kind of person you are, and the hope that other people who are similarly motivated will be deterred."

Michael Peter Harvey, of no fixed address, pleaded guilty to attempting to murder Mrs Violet Warren, of Beresford Avenue, Coventry, on March 21 and to four other charges of burglary and theft. He asked for seven other offences of burglary to be considered.

Mr Harvey's sister, Marion Patricia Harvey, aged 23, of Joseph Halpen House, Coventry, who admitted receiving £5 stolen from the house, was sent to prison for nine months, and Gerard Ball, aged 28, of the same address, who admitted receiving £5, and a number of fraud charges, was jailed for three years.

Prisoner jailed for assault on cell mate

Melvin George Treays, aged 22, a prisoner, was cleared at Maidstone Crown Court, Kent, yesterday, of causing bodily harm to two of his cell mates but found guilty of common assault on one of them. He was jailed for six months, the sentence to run consecutively to his present 18-month sentence.

Mr Treays, of Greenfield Road, Eccles, near Maidstone, was alleged to have tied a prisoner to his bed, dragged him outside in near-freezing weather and poured cold water over him.

Later that night the prisoner was again tied to his bed and a second prisoner was tied on top of him. An indecent act was allegedly attempted.

After the second prisoner had been released the first one was raised into a vertical position and rocked backwards and forwards.

Detective is cleared

Det Inspector Peter Jones, aged 43, was cleared at Middlesex Crown Court on June 23 of being concerned in a corruption conspiracy which was said to have followed the arrest of two men in 1968 for receiving stolen stamps.

Mr Jones, of Shortlands Grove, Bromley, London, was discharged and Judge Martin, QC, ordered that his costs should be paid out of central funds. He had denied acting in any way corruptly or improperly.



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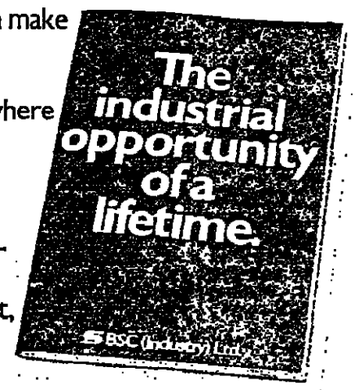
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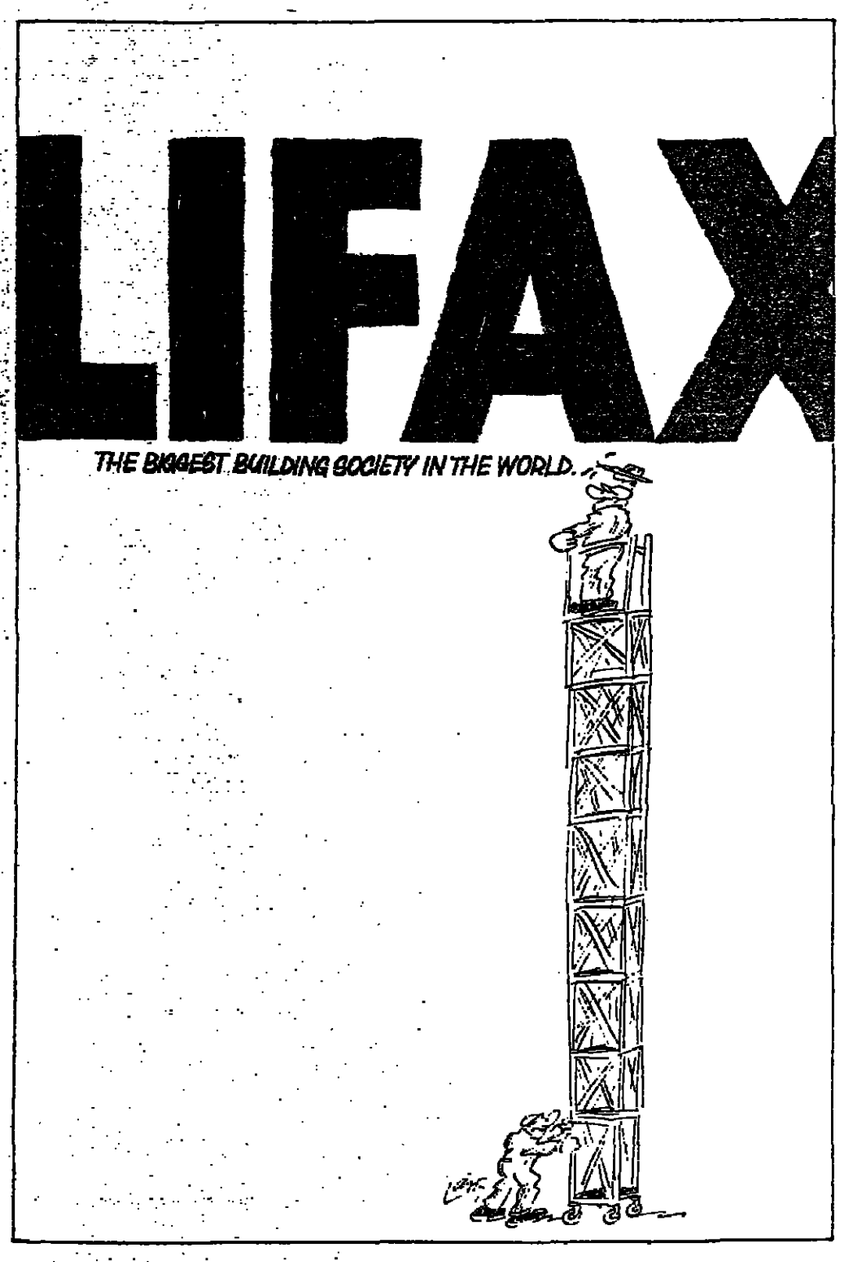
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HOME NEWS

Mr Callaghan's timely reminder on tax cuts to Penistone voters

From Ronald Kershaw
Hoyland

The olive branch extended to Mrs Thatcher by Mr Edward Heath in the Penistone by-election campaign last week no doubt gave Tory voters something of a lift, but for timing it seems that Mr Callaghan takes a bit of licking.

An eve-of-poll letter from the Prime Minister to Mr Allan McKay, the Labour candidate, in the process of highlighting Britain's brighter financial prospects, points out that this week many people will receive a rebate of £18 and an increase of £1.30 a week in tax cuts.

Mr David Chadwick, the Liberal candidate in this three-horse race, had no great declarations to make except to take to task his Labour opponent for refusing to take part in either a three-party public meeting to be organized by a local vicar or a similar-type radio programme planned by Radio Sheffield.

For his part, Mr Ian Dobkin, the Conservative candidate, seeemd to set great store yesterday in publicizing the announcement by Mr Edward Griffiths, one-time Labour MP for Sheffield, Brightside, a neighbouring constituency, that he intended to vote Conservative this time because the Labour Party was swinging too far left. Mr Griffiths also appears to think little of the Labour Party for expelling him because he ran as independent Labour candidate against the official candidate, Miss Joan Maynard, at Brightside in October, 1974.

Mr McKay cannot be blamed for being quietly confident that he will shortly occupy the seat left vacant by the death of Mr John Mendelson, who gave Labour a majority of 15,135. Mr Harold Sims, the Labour agent, last night confessed that he was happier than at the start of the campaign. His objectives were to increase the Labour majority or at least Labour's share of the poll.

He said last night: "There is every indication we are going that way."

In most constituencies there are what Mr Sims terms "middle management" areas full of owner-occupied houses, which Labour Party workers do not relish canvassing because they invariably meet with an argument. They are usually left until late in a campaign. Mr Sims admitted to some surprise when canvass returns from those areas showed 60 per cent in Labour's favour.

Labour Party workers have always seen their main aim in this by-election as persuading the electorate to turn out and vote in a holiday period when a general election is thought to be imminent. The response at public meetings and to canvassers prompts Mr Sims to say he is happy with the trends and that Mr McKay will be elected.

October, 1974: J. J. Mendelson (Lab), 27,146; G. C. W. Harris (C), 12,011; D. Chadwick (L), 10,900. Labour maj: 15,135.





Left: Mr Ian Dobkin (Conservative). Right: Mr Allan McKay (Labour).

Moss Side campaign ends on hardy national issues

From John Chartres
Manchester

The long arguments about the rights and wrongs of the new housing estates in the centre of the Moss Side conscituency are over; there has bee na little riot involving the National Front and its opponents; some writs have been issued ;and a weighty court case invoking the Representation of the People's Act is under way.

In the run-up to tomorrow's voting, however, the Labour defender of the Moss Side seat in the by-election and his Conservative opponent have gone back to the national issues with which they started the campaign.

Mr George Morton, for Labour, has returned to his defence of the Government's recent economic performances. Mr Tom Murphy, for the Conservatives, has gone back to prices, jobs law and order, and housing, on all of which he is still condemning the Labour Government.

Yesterday Mr Murphy said Labour had evaded all four issues. On Monday Mr Morton said the Tories were getting desperate and running out of ideas for convincing voters

Mr Peter Thomson, the Liberal, is still convinced that his concentration on community politics has been right. Yesterday he chose the issue of four separate Post Office telephone directories for Manchester and the keeping of links of friendship by the city council with Leningrad while world attention is focused on the Soviet treatment of dissidents.

Yesterday Miss Vanessa Redgrave, the Workers' Revolutionary Party candidate, conducted another solemn press conference on the theme that the Army, the police and existing political parties were gearing themselves for a civil war against the workers.

Mr Herbert Andrew, the fifth candidate of the National Front, called a final gathering of journalists yesterday wel loutside the constituency.

Mr Morton and his agent have invoked figures from a local government by-election in Wigan to support their desired victory. Mr Murphy claimed that if al lthe pledged voters encountered during his canvassing of every single street turn out tomorrow he is bound to win.

Mr Thomson says that in "no conceivable way can he lose his deposit". It is being said that he who holds the mixed housing Lloyd Street ward holds the constituency; al lthree main candidates claimed yesterday they are doing well there.

General election results:
October, 1974: F. Hatton (Lab), 15,212; J. Lee (C), 11,101; W. Wallace (L), 5,686; N. Boyle (I Civ Rights), 238; H. Smith (Prosp Britain), 96. Lab maj: 4,111.

North-south relations 'the real issue'

By Peter Strafford

North-south relations turned out to be the main theme when the English-Speaking Union held a symposium in London yesterday to celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of its founding. The theme was set by Mr Shridath Ramphal, Secretary General of the Commonwealth, who described it as "the real confrontation that the world faces."

He was followed by Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, Director of the London School of Economics, and Mr Kingman Brewster, the American Ambassador, both of whom took it up in speeches they made on the general subject of "Interdependence—the next twenty years".

Professor Dahrendorf spoke of the imminent renegotiation of the Lomé Convention between the European Community and the associated countries in Africa, Asia and the Caribbean, and said that it would be difficult because of the interests involved. But he hoped Europe would understand its task in helping the developing world.

Mr Brewster said that north-south relations were not just a question of ending inequity but of mutual interest. He thought that the industrial countries should see assistance to the developing countries in the way the United States had seen relations with Europe at the time of the Marshall Plan, as a matter of self-interest.

The symposium was held in Clothworkers' Hall, and brought together on the platform, as Mr Ramphal pointed out, a German, a West Indian and an American, as well as Sir Patrick Dean, the chairman. All agreed that a lot had happened since the ESU was founded in the summer of 1918, and that it should no longer be regarded as just an Anglo-American association.

Mr Ramphal spoke of the diversity of the Commonwealth and of its value as a link between the rich and the poor of the world. The rich and the poor needed each other for survival, he said, and the real recovery of the industrialized economies might not come about without the economic development of the south.

Professor Dahrendorf talked of the need for interdependence in Europe and spoke gloomily of the prospects of improving relations with Eastern Europe in view of the persecution of dissidents in the Soviet Union, East Germany and Czechoslovakia. There was no alternative to trying for an improvement, but it would be long and difficult.

Mr Brewster commented drily that, like it or not, interdependence was a fact.

White Paper on broadcasting out next week

By Kenneth Gosling

The White Paper on the future of broadcasting will be published on July 20, Mr Philip Whitehead, Labour MP for Derby, North, said last night.

Speaking at the launching of a new broadcasting pressure group, the Campaign for Public Service Broadcasting, he said the debate following the White Paper would be very important because there would be no more inquiries for a long time and the campaign would be able to set out the options open to the Government if it chose to place the fourth television channel under a new authority.

Dr Richard Hoggart, chairman of the campaign committee, said the debate was concerned not only with the BBC but with independent television. A nine-point charter calls for broadcasting to be free of governmental and other pressures, for greater origination of programmes by the broadcasting services and a bigger licence fee to guarantee high standards and long-term developments.

WEST EUROPE

Youth killed in armed assault on police station as unrest in Basque provinces spreads

From Harry Debelius
Madrid, July 11

Continuing disturbances throughout the Basque country claimed another victim today, a warehouse clerk, aged 19, who was killed by a machinegun bullet during an assault by Basque militants on a police station in San Sebastian.

In Madrid, Señor Rodolfo Martín Villa, the Interior Minister, made an unscheduled speech to the Congress of Deputies, the lower house of the Spanish Parliament, in which he referred to the "grave deterioration" of the situation in the Basque provinces and promised a full report on the serious rioting in Pamplona.

The shooting in San Sebastian happened at about the same time as the Congress approved a resolution "lamenting the sad events" in Pamplona, where one man was killed and more than 150 injured, and expressing its condolences to the family of the young Trotskyite, reputedly a member of ETA, the separatist organization, who was shot through the head by an unknown assailant outside the city bullring last Saturday.

After the killing in San Sebastian, police sent an urgent message to Madrid in which they flatly denied that they had used live bullets at any time during the two and a half hour battle in front of the police station, in spite of violence which included the burning of at least one patrol car. During the clash, police were forced to withdraw and call for reinforcements.

According to the state-run Radio Nacional a gang of men armed with pistols and machineguns appeared from a side street during the struggle and fired on the demonstrators. The youth who died, José Ignacio Barandiaran Urcola, and three others, were hit by gunfire.

The demonstrators overturned cars and shouted: "ETA, kill them", an appeal to the secessionist urban guerrilla organization ETA (Basque Homeland and Liberty) which still enjoys considerable popular support among the people of the region.

Police, using riot control weapons, repulsed the attack on the police station by early afternoon, but late in the afternoon clashes between demonstrators and police were still going on in various parts of the city.

Although the identity of the gunmen in the latest killing was not immediately established, right-wing extremists were suspected.

Señor Adolfo Suárez, the Spanish Prime Minister, reportedly spent much of the day in his temporary office in the Cortes on the telephone to authorities in the Basque country, Señor Martín Villa and Lieutenant General Manuel Gutierrez Mellado, the Deputy Minister for Defence.

Amid a situation which Radio Nacional described as "rather confusing", the Basque General Council, the body to which the Government has promised home-rule powers for the region, was meeting this afternoon in Irun.

In Vitoria, also in the Basque country, about 5,000 people demonstrated today behind banners calling for solidarity with the people of Pamplona. The marchers shouted for the resignations of various officials including Señor Ignacio Llano, the Civil Governor of Navarra.

Violent demonstrations in the industrial city of Bilbao last night gave way to strikes today in protest over the Government's handling of the Pamplona affair. Strikes were widespread throughout the north, and even shops and bars were closed in many towns.

In Pamplona officials authorized the resumption of the San Fermin fiesta but the bullfight fan clubs of Pamplona refused to take part because the Government had failed to accept their demands for the withdrawal of riot police from the streets, the resignation of Señor Llano and a judicial investigation into the fatal shooting.

Major Fernando Avila, the commander of the police unit which sparked off the disturbances by firing rubber bullets and smoke grenades indiscriminately in the crowded bullring last Saturday, has "apparently" been relieved of his post, according to *Informacion* the Madrid evening newspaper. Earlier newspaper reports identifed Major Avila as a member of a Fascist party.

Strict safety standards set for Spanish tankers

High explosion risk of gas cargoes

By Derek Harris
and David Felton

Propylene, which was carried by the tanker in the Spanish coast disaster, is an oil product related to liquid petroleum gases such as propane and butane.

Spain is an associate member of the European body governing the transport of highly flammable chemicals and gases and has similar standards to the strict regulations in force in Britain.

Propylene is, like propane and butane, flammable but is used for the production of solvents, polyurethanes and acrylic fibres and was described last night by industry sources as "a building brick for the chemical industry."

Warnings that road and rail accidents involving cargo containers of flammable gas could not be ruled out in Britain were given earlier this year by the Health and Safety Commission.

But, in a report on hazards connected with energy sources, the commission said it was unable to assess the number of accidents in Britain due to transport of oil products including liquid petroleum gas (LPG).

The commission thought the number of accidents was likely to be insignificant but said that from incidents which have occurred the possibility of a collision involving a cargo tank of a gas carrier, whether road or rail, could not be ruled out.

"This could result in a massive escape of highly flammable vapour. The formation of a large vapour cloud could be attended by a massive explosion", the commission said.

The Chemical Industries Association said last night that there had been only one death this century in Britain through an explosion involving flammable gases carried by road tanker.

Propylene is carried in liquid form in cargo containers under pressure. If it escapes in the atmosphere it becomes a gas. For an explosion to occur the mixture of gas and air has to be at a critical point when a means of ignition is introduced, such as a spark or a lighted match.

Extensive safety precautions are taken with flammable gases in the United Kingdom at fixed installations like refineries, where they are produced, and at the factories and other installations where the gases are used.

The Commission report points out that there is no record of a large-scale escape of LPG accompanied by a large explosion from a fixed installation like these in Britain.

Around 700 tonnes of LPG is delivered by road to power stations alone in the United Kingdom each year and this is only a small proportion of LPG deliveries by road, according to the commission.

Tankers for highly flammable chemicals have to be of a special design with thick containers, which are divided into compartments to minimize the risk of total leakage.

The tankers have sophisticated valves and electrical systems and the drivers undergo specialized training. In Britain all transporters are bound also by the Hazchem scheme, under which tankers have to display a label specifying the material they are carrying.

Chemical industry sources in Britain said that they would be studying reports of the disaster very closely to see if any lessons could be learnt and further measures taken which might lead to further safety measures.

Check for British victims difficult

By Our Foreign Staff

There were reports of British people being killed in the explosion, but no confirmation so far, a spokesman for the British consulate-general in Barcelona said last night The camp site was not habitually used by many British people, and most of the victims appeared to be French and German.

The Spanish police had said that identification of the victims was likely to be very difficult. In addition, records of those staying at the camp had apparently been destroyed.

San Carlos de la Rapita was a small fishing town without the facilities for handling a disaster of this size.

Mr Roderick Sheridan, the British consul-general in Barcelona and Mr Kenneth Nash, the Consul, left last night for the area of the explosion.

The explosion was the worst of its kind since August 1956, when 1,100 persons were killed in Colombia by the explosion of dynamite loaded aboard six military trucks.

The worst recorded explosion was on December 6, 1917 when a munitions ship caught fire off Halifax, Nova Scotia. The *Guinness Book of Records* sayse the official death toll was 1,963, though the figure could have been as high as 3,000.

But the worst holiday disaster was also in Spain, 16 months ago when two jumbo jets collided on a runway in the Canary Islands, killing 582 people. A fire in the Summerland centre on the Isle of Man caused the deaths of 50 people in 1973.

Recent gas explosions include one at Waverly, Tennessee, last February, when two tankers filled with liquefied propane exploded in the middle of a residential area.

In a recent report, by the Building Research Establishment concluded that the risk of explosion was at least ten times greater for cylinder gas than for piped gas.

Russian fears of nuclear bomb in Israeli hands

From Our Correspondent
Geneva, July 11

Mr Viktor Likhachev, the Soviet delegare, called for efforts to make the nuclear non-proliferation treaty "truly universal" when the final session of the 30-nation disarmament conference opened here today.

Mr Likhachev said that it was of "primordial importance" to "prevent the emergence of nuclear weapons in the hands of South Africa and Israel".

Mr Adrian Fisher, the American delegate, reported that "steady progress continues to be made" in the negotiations here between the Soviet Union, the United States and Britain for a comprehensive ban on nuclear tests.

Two shot and buildings bombed in Italy

Rome, July 11.—Two men were shot and car showrooms and a journalists club were bombed in attacks throughout Italy reported by the police today.

Signor Luigi Pepe, aged 25, a Communist trade union official was shot in the legs in Naples last night.

No one immediately claimed responsibility, but the police suspected extreme leftist terrorists who have made legshooting their ritual punishment for those they call "slaves of the state".

In Milan, a policeman was shot yesterday and seriously wounded in a lung and an arm when he tried to stop the car of a suspected member of the Red Brigade's terrorist gang for a check.

He left behind a forged driving licence carrying a photograph and the alias of Sicca, the police added.

In Rome during the night, a bomb badly damaged a city council building used by the Association of Roman Journalists.

In Turin, three time bombs went off almost simultaneously overnight at the Fiat showrooms, causing extensive damage and wrecking several cars.

A group calling itself the "Communist Armed workers' Squads" issued a statement claiming responsibility. It said: "Strikes are no longer of any use. Sabotage and attacks on production lines are the only answer to the multinational conspiracy."—Reuter.

Schoolchildren's suicides worry West Germans

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, July 11

An alarming picture of suicides, drug-taking and psychological strain, caused by the pressure put on West German schoolchildren, has been offered to the public by a leading paediatrician.

More than 500 schoolchildren shot, hanged or poisoned themselves last year for fear of failing at school or in despair at bad examination results, according to Professor Friedrich Carl Sitzmann, director of the University Children's Hospital in Homburg, Saarland.

One in 10 schoolchildren between 10 and 19 took drugs, he said.

Behind the problem was the great importance attached to a good performance at school.

Parents, too, felt the pressure, and were criticized by Professor Sitzmann for sending their children to school when they might not be completely well, in order not to miss lessons.

He called for the abolition of marks in the early years, as had already happened in two *Länder*, smaller classes, group teaching if possible, and a shorter school day.

Letter found in glacier delivered after 27 years

From Our Correspondent
Geneva, July 11

The Swiss Post Office has delivered an air letter to a woman living near Thoune that was posted in Calcutta more than 27 years ago.

It was one of 60 letter contained in a little blue postal bag found last month by French gendarmerie recruits on a training expedition 4,000ft up on Mont Blanc's Bossons glacier.

The bag was among mail being carried on the Malabar Princess, an Air India Superconstellation that crashed on Mont Blanc in November, 1950, as it was approaching Geneva airport

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Three whites killed in guerrilla ambush of Rhodesian convoy

Salisbury, July 11.—Three whites, including a woman and a child, were killed and eight injured today when a convoy returning from a weekend holiday, at Kariba, was attacked by guerrillas, military headquarters said here.

The communiqué added that a white farmer was killed in the same area on Sunday.

Today's ambush occurred as weekend holidaymakers returned to Salisbury from Lake Kariba on the Zambezi river, which separates Rhodesia from Zambia.

During the attack a bus plunged into a culvert. Its driver and the woman and child were killed, the communiqué said. It was not immediately known if they had been shot or had died in the crash.

Convoys to and from Kariba are escorted by military vehicles mounted with heavy machineguns.

The white farmer killed on Sunday was named as Mr Leslie Jellicoe, whose uncle was one of the first whites killed in the war five years ago.

Meanwhile Father Martin O'Reagan, a Roman Catholic missionary from Ireland, was deported from Rhodesia today by the transitional Government.

Father O'Reagan, a Carmelite, was given a suspended jail sentence last October for failing to report the presence of guerrillas in his parish near the Mozambique border.

Before he left, he said his deportation cast doubts on the credibility of the internal settlement. "It shows that nothing has changed", he said. "I'm very gloomy about the future."

Father Dieter Scholtz, a Jesuit missionary also ordered out, is expected to leave within a few days. He is a member of the Catholic Commission for Justice and Peace, which has detailed alleged atrocities against blacks by security forces. Official Secrets Act charges against him were recently dropped.

Khartum: Foreign Min preparing for next week's anization of African (OAU) summit resolved that a negotiated settleme Rhodesia should include guerrilla forces and membe the internal transitional ernment.

The decision was seen victory for moderate state a boost to Anglo-Ame efforts to arrange a settle

The resolution must, ever, be approved by the mit. Mr Peter Onu, the spokesman, said that while porting the patriotic front rilla alliance "within the text of the armed struggle ministers had reiterated year's OAU decision that choice of the leaders of babwe is up to the peop Zimbabwe".—UPI.

Tory pressure: Rising Cc vative backbench pressur a lifting of Rhodesia sanc led to a heated meeting Mr John Davies, sh Foreign Secretary, and bers of the party's fo affairs committee (our Pol Editor writes).

Mr Davies explained to that since no British go ment could unilaterally sanctions, it was pointle press for it. However, he out the hope that a Cons tive government could tip present Government's ba away from the Patriotic F (as the Tories see it) to be the parties to the int settlement to hold elections.

About 80 Conservative have signed an early motion urging the imme lifting of sanctions.

Mr William Clark, MP Croydon, South, and a fo vice-chairman of the P said: "There has been a plete turnaround in the party. In the past there never more than 20 o voting against the continu of sanctions. Now we hav signing the motion."

South Africa 'hellbent for destruction'

From Nicholas Ashford
Johannesburg, July 11

Bishop Desmond Tutu, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches (SACC), said here today that the South African authorities were showing an "escalating intolerance" of any organization or individual who expressed black opinions or grievances outside the confines of government-created structures.

He declared that the Government was "hellbent for destruction" if it continued on its present course. The bannings of Black Consciousness organizations last October 19 was an eloquent indication that the Governmenthad decided to opt for strong-arm methods rather than to heed genuine black grievances.

Bishop Tutu was delivering his first annual report to the national conference of the SACC since he became general secretary earlier this year. The conference is one of the most important in the council's 10 year existence and comes at a time when individual churches are under increasing pressure

The theme is "South Africa in crisis—our response as the children of God". The emphasis is on education, unemployment, investment and the church's position on the use of violence by Christians against apartheid laws.

In his opening address Bishop Tutu said the SACC was committed to "reasonably" peaceful change in South Africa. But he ruled out "completely" peaceful change because the situation was already a violent one.

During the week-long conference the SACC delegates will consider a proposal supporting "justifiable resistance" against "evil laws".

Turkish intellectual shot dead

From Sinan Fisek
Ankara, July 11

Professor Bedrettin Cor one of Turkey's leading in lectuals ,today fell victim terrorist gunmen in a resi tial Ankara suburb.

Dr Comert, aged 38, a lea art historian, writer, transl and critic, was killed insta Mrs Maria Agostina Cor his Italian wife, was take hospital in a serious condi

The couple had just left home in the hillside distric Gazi Osman Pasa when were attacked. Comert wa drive his wife to the It Embassy where she wor and later attend the bian congress of the Turkish guage Association.

A few minutes after left, unidentified gun opened fire with machine from a car

The attackers, believed t right-wing terrorists, then d off in their stolen car wh they abandoned a few blo away. Witnesses said th were three of them.

After news of the kill became known, Ankara's Ha tepe University, where Comert taught, announced t it was closing until next M day. Dr Comert was a mem of a special commission set at the university to investig the activities of right-w extremists on the campus.

Thousands of predominan leftist students marched on office of Mr Bulent Ece The Prime Minister in cent Ankara after the killi chanting slogans and protesti against the Government's ability to cope with violen against rightist extremism, a against the Turkish secret s vice, Mit, which the left accu of being involved in politi terrorism.

Eccentric Athens doctor dies when police raid flat

From Mario Modiano
Athens, July 11

Dr Vasilios Tsironis, an eccentric Greek physician whose wife and children helped him to hijack an airliner to flee to Albania during the dictatorship here, was killed today when the police raided his Athens seaside flat to arrest him.

The police announced later that he had killed himself, but the Director of Public Prosecutions ordered an inquiry into the circumstances of his death. During the raid Mrs Tsironis was heard screaming: "The fascists have killed Tsironis in his own home."

Dr Tsironis was wanted for illegal possession and use of arms and a variety of lesser charges, because he was in the habit of firing his gun from his fourth floor flat in Phaliron. In fact before the police raid the doctor and his family had barricaded themselves in their flat and proclaimed an "independent state of OEM", the initials standing for "Proneutralist Revolutionary Front".

He had set up loudspeakers which broadcast revolutionary songs and speeches much to the annoyance of his neighbours. On one occasion he fired at a police patrol car, and held a woman journalist as a hostage for some hours.

After indignant articles in the opposition press this week questioning the Government ability to impose the rule law, a police operation w mounted and the Tsiron apartment was raided 4.30 am. Smoke bombs wer used to force out his two so and a daughter, as well as h wife, but he resisted.

According to the police, Mr Tsironis who was the last t leave the room in which th doctor was resisting arrest an firing shots, told the policeme that her husband had com mitted suicide.

The Athens coroner reporte after an examination of th body that Dr Tsironis had die of a small calibre bullet fire at point blank range in th right temple.

Dr Tsironis who began hi career as a military physicia gained notoriety in 1948, when he denounced the inhuma living conditions of Communis political prisoners exiled o small Greek islauds who were under his care. He was then dismissed from the service, but was unable to readjust to civilian life and complained of constant persecution.

In 1968 he and his family hijacked an Olympic Airways airliner and forced it to land in Tirana. He was allowed to go to Sweden, but later returned to Greece. Eventually he set up an "OEM Government" in which his wife and sons, as well as other sympathizers, held portfolios.

RHS gold medals for shrubs, roses, lilies

By Our Horticultural Correspondent

The new hall of the Royal Horticultural Society, Westminster, is well filled with a particularly wide range of interesting plant exhibits. In addition are the fruit and vegetable, the hardy flower and the lily competitions, as well as the British National Carnation Society's summer show.

The RHS has awarded two gold medals. One goes to John Matrock, Oxford, for an 80ft tiered display of 106 varieties of shrub, climber, rambler, floribunda and hybrid tea roses, which makes a colourful show along the end wall of the hall. Among the roses looking particularly fine in spite of the weather were the floribundas 'Priscilla Burton' and 'Rosemary Rose', the hybrid teas 'Dekorat' and 'Alexander', the shrubs 'First Class' and 'William Lobb', and the climbers 'Casino' and 'Hamburger Phoenix'.

The other medal was won by South Down Nurseries, Redruth, for lilies and shrubs. In this attractively staged display are such lilies as 'Destiny', 'Citronella', and mixed 'Cornish Hybrids', arranged among shrubs and other plants such as good specimens of *Cornus* 'Kousa', *Astrantia* 'Major' and *Agapanthus umbellatus*. All the lilies are completely hardy, being planted out in October, ridged like potatoes and sent to customers the following autumn.

Other exhibits creating interest include a patio with aromatic plants and sempervivums, unusual border plants such as various phormiums, *Lychnis arkwrightii*, *Eryngium alpinum*, *Helichrysum hybridum* 'Sulphur Light', *Potentilla* 'Wm Rollisson', hebes, parahebes, *Chordospartium stevensonii*, *Coprosma repens* 'Picturata', and new dwarf and miniature geraniums such as 'Occold Surprise', 'Layham', 'Valcanda' and several 'Deacon' varieties.

There are two displays of orchids, one being the Bromesberrow Place Collection grown by Alan Greenwood, Ledbury, for Miss D. G. Allbright, probably the best private collection in Britain. It contains some unusual plants, including *Masdevallia* 'Heathii', and *Odontoglossum* 'Susan Smith, Bromesberrow Place', and many others.

A exhibit of some of the newer varieties of strawberries such as 'Tenira', 'Hapil', 'Domanil', 'Vigour' and 'Rabunda' is creating interest, so too is the display of the RHS Garden, Wisley, of diffrenet varieties of raspberries, red, black and white currants, strawberries, gooseberries and the new tayberry (of complex parentage but looking like a loganberry).

The hardy flower competition is very low on entries. The class for six hardy herbaceous plants was won by Mrs M. M. J. Buller, Surbiton, and the class for three hardy herbaceous flowers by E. J. Chiles, Norwood.

In the lily competition, Mr and Mrs Martin Simmons were consistent prizewiners, but again the classes were not well supported. The cooperative exhibit of the genera of the family-Liliaceae, staged by the Lily Group and the RHS Garden, Wisley, has many interesting lily species, hybrids and varieties in many forms and colours.

The entries in the fruit and vegetable competition are also down this year, but the quality of the produce is high. Leading prizewiners:

Six dishes of fruit: R. A. Buller, Surbiton. Three kinds of fruit in open and amateur classes: S. Corps, Surbiton. Six kinds of vegetables: P. R. Clarke, Sittingbourne. Four kinds of vegetables: E. A. Edwards, Portslade. Six kinds of salading: R. W. Burt, Brighton. Six kinds of culinary herbs: R. Clapp, Bromley.

The following plants gained awards of merit:

Vanda hilosana 'Mont Millais', shades of purple and green, from E. E. Young, Jersey; Hypericum calycinum, yellow, from Grounds Department, Reading University; Sambucus williamsii 'Coreana', scarlet berries, from R. de Belder, Belgium; Campanula moretiana x C. raineri, violet, from J. Elliot, Moreton-in-Marsh; Mimulus primuloides, yellow, and Tritelia 'Tubergenii' blue; from the Director, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew; Dianthus 'Gay Paree', pink and red, from Woodfield Bros, Stratford-on-Avon; Dianthus 'Pat Harris', from N. Simlaster, Water Orton; Thymus cephalotus, mauve, from Mrs J. Bishop, Lightwater; Rhododendron 'Aladdin Gres', pink, from Lord Aberconway and the National Trust, Bodnant; Clerodendron thompsonae 'Ronald Tree', red and mauve, from L. Maurice Mason, King's Lynn.

There were more than the average number of entries in the British National Carnation Society's competitive classes and the standard and quality of blooms was very high. Leading prizewinners were:

Pinks. George Allwood Goblet for most points in three stems classes and Thain Memorial Challenge Cup for most points in single stem classes: J. W. Radcliffe, Romford. Kesteven Challenge Cup for most points in novice classes: G. Ripkin, North Cray. J. Morton Challenge Cup for most points in seedling division and Lindabruce Challenge Cup for double pinks: W. Radcliffe. Wivelsfield Challenge Bowl for fancy faced pinks: C. G. G. King, Orpington. J. T. Child Challenge Cup for seedling pink and Herbert Challenge Cup for three varieties raised by exhibitor: J. W. Radcliffe.

Border carnations. Martin Smith Memorial Challenge Cup for most points in three blooms division: E. J. Dungey. Luton. J. B. Wells Trophy for most points in single blooms classes: C. C. G. King. John Charrington and H. C. Flindt Cup for most points in novice classes: G. Ripkin. Wilkinson Picotee Challenge Cup for most points in three picotee classes: Challenge Cup for three vases and Wm Drake Memorial Challenge Cup for one vase: Wells Trophy for Marlowe. Perpetual flowering carnation: Howard de Walden Trophy for most points in three bloom division: D. Franklin, Sanderstead. W. H. Page Challenge Cup for most points in one bloom classes: E. H. Carter Challenge Cup for best seedling bloom: P. C. Henderson Challenge Trophy for best vase. Geo Munro Silver Gilt Challenge Cup for six blooms, salis, Lady Emsley Carr Memorial Trophy for six blooms fancy, and H. T. Mason Memorial Challenge Trophy for six blooms, seedling: all to Woodfield Bros, Stratford-on-Avon. W. E. Wallace Memorial Challenge Cup for six blooms, scented: A. Norcliffe, Warrington.

The show is open today 10 am to 5 pm.

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Vance plan to meet Voy lissident's wife n show of US concern

From David Cross
Washington, July 11

Fhen the State Department edicted last week that the ials in Moscow of two lead- g dissidents would e warched osely in the United States, it as no exaggeration.

Since last Friday's formal Soviet announcement that pro- eedings against Mr Anatoly charansky and Mr Alex- der Ginzburg were opening, ey have been receiving blan- coverage on television, adio and virtually every news blication across the country.

The blaze of publicity has en accompanied by daily tatements from senior dministration officials giving arning of possible dire conse- iences for the future develop- ent of Soviet-American rela- ons, demonstrations and ral- es staged by supporterrs of oviet Jews and dissidents, and harsh attacks from critics of the Administration, who believe that President Carter ould now adopt a tougher ne towards Moscow.

Most vocal among the latter roup has been the so-called Coalition for a Democratic lajority", led by such influen- al hawks in the Senate as Mr enry Jackson and Mr Daniel oynihan.

Yesterday the grup said thtt r Cyrus Vance, the Secretary f Stte, should postpone a heduled meeting with Mr ndrei Gromyko, the Soviet oreign Visitor, in Geneva to- orrow. Mr Vance's decision press ahead "speaks louder an his rhetorical criticisms f Soviet behaviour", the state- ent added.

In a television interview, Mr ackson said that the decision continue the Geneva talks a new strategic arms limi- tion agreement (Salt), was the wrong signal at the rong time". Senator Robert ole, meanwhile, introduced a otion in the Senate callin on e Administration to suspend ll bilateral scientific and cul- ral exchanges with Moscow.

In a clear response to some f these criticisms, the State epartment announced today that Mr Vance is trying to arrange a meeting with Mrs Natalya Shcharansky, Mr Shcharansky's wife in Geneva later this week, probably on Thursday. A spokesman said that the encounter should be viewed as "a concrete symbol of our concern."

Mr Vance is also carrying a personal message from President Carter to President Brezhnev criticizing the trials and presumably making clear that Washington intends to persist with its support of human rights activists in the Soviet Union as well as in other parts of the world.

In spite of the political furore ,all the President's most senior advisers, including Mr Zbigniew Brzezinski, his forceful National Security Adviser, are determined to press ahead with a new Salt agreement as quickly as possible.

Mr Bance made this very clear yesterday when he told reporters that the Salt agreement was an issue affecting the peace and security of the world. It "Must be treated differently from others and should be addressed on a continuing basis with the highest priority".

Nevertheless, both Mr Vance and Mr Brzezinski have indicated that the Administration is actively considering other ways to express its displeasure at the trials in addition to the cancellation of visits by high-level environmental and scientific delegations to Moscow.

They have made it clear that the extenr of new American moves will depend largely on the sentences finally meted out to Mr Shcharansky and Mr Ginzburg.

Observers In Washington have noted with considerable interest that condemnation of the trials and warnings of their possible impact on the relationship between the two countries have emanated, in public at least, almost exclusively from Mr Vance. He has traditionally been the most reluctant among Mr Carter's senior foreign policy aides to criticize Soviet actions.

Reporters mill around under watchful eyes of Soviet police

Cheers for Mr Shcharansky outside the court

From Michael Binyon
Moscow, July 11

The scene is always the same: an ordinary three-storey building tucked away in a side street with temporary barricades in front of the entrance. Groups of grey-uniformed police stand around smoking and chatting to each other, occasionally eyeing the knots of casually dressed Russians gathered on the pavement.

On the other side of the barricades, groups of Western correspondents mill about notebooks in hand, or crush round one of the Russians giving an impromptu press conference. And on the other side of the road there are the inevitable "onlookers"—rather scruffily dressed youths who seem to make it their business to hang around. Another dissident trial is in progress.

Mr Anatoly Shcharansky's trial is no different. The police assisted by druzhniki—young volunteer police wearing red armbands—adopt an air of bored indifference. When asked, the senior officer invariably replies that the trial is open but the court is full. They open the barrier to let in an assorted group of people bearing green invitation cards. They do not talk much otherwise.

So far the atmosphere outside the court has been restrained. There has been none of the jostling or jeering that made the trial of Dr Yuri Orlov so ominous. No one stops Mr Shcharansky's relatives and sympathizers telling the Western press what they know about the case. Only the unidentified people standing some distance away take good note of who is talking to whom.

The authorities clearly expected a crowd: Tass had, after all, published the address of the court and the time of the trial's beginning. The day before, barricades were already in position at either end of the short, tree-lined street running past the court. On the opening morning when a contingent of the Western press—mainly Americans, Britons and Scandinavians—arrived in a convoy, familiar dissident faces were already waiting.

They seem to be quite unintimidated. They joke, introduce themselves or greet Western acquaintances. Many have relatives or friends who have been on the other side of the barrier. They, too, might find themselves in court in the future.

No one accepted the initial refusal of the police to allow Mr Schcharansky's mother or brother into court. They argued and pressed at the barriers. One man tried to push his way past, only to be firmly pushed back. The mother, Mrs Ida Milgrom, a short white-haired old lady wearing a Jewish religious symbol, pleaded and thrust documents and declarations at the impassive officer leaning on the barricade.

Westerners forget that in spite of the enormous weight of official repression represented by the trial itself and the seriousness of the charges, Russians are not all cowed by authority. And by argument and cajolery the Shcharansky family did persuade a court official to come out, consider the request and let the defendant's brother in.

At the end of the day when a van drove away containing presumably Mr Anatoly Shcharansky, the cry went up: "Tolya, Tolya." It was the same in Kaluga when Mr Alexander Ginzburg was taken away "Alik, Alik" they shouted.

The politically committed Jews and dissidents, many of whom have no jobs, go to all the main trials. Mrs Yelena Bonner, the wife of Dr Andrei Sakharov, a dignified and combative lady with thick pebble *glasses, waits smoking papyrosi* Russian cigarettes with a long hollow tube and a short stub of strong tobacco.

She says that her husband, Andrei Dmitrovich, is not discouraged by the gradual wearing down of the dissident movement. The idea of human rights has taken root, she believes. It will not die even if its earliest proponents are all in prison or exile.



Dr Andrei Sakharov discloses to the press in Moscow that three members of the Lithuanian Helsinki group will be witnesses at the trial in Vilnius of Mr Victoras Piatkus.

Two candidates claim victory in Bolivia poll

La Paz, July 11.—Confusion today surrounded the outcome of Bolivia's general election after the two leading presidential candidates both claimed victory and accused the other of fraud.

The confusion was exacerbated by the slowness of the official count, which by last night was less than 400,000 of the almost two million votes cast on Sunday.

The count gave 162,137 votes to General Pereda Asbun, who was backed by the ruling military Government, 75,417 to Dr Hernan Siles Zuazo, his left-wing opponent, and 132,234 to the other five candidates.

If no candidate receives more than 50 per cent of the vote, the new President will be chosen by the Congress, also elected on Sunday, which meets for the first time on August 5.

General Pereda Asbun, aged 46, a former Interior Minister, said last night that, on the basis of an unofficial tally of 35 per cent of the vote, he and his People's Nationalist Union had received 60 per cent of the vote.

But Dr Siles Zuazo, who was President from 1956 to 1960, said the majority of the voters had clearly rejected the Government candidate. He said he was ready to form a coalition with other opposition parties.

General Asbun, speaking at a press conference, accused Dr Siles Zuazo of being an agent of international extremism.

"Dr Siles receives enormous sums from overseas. We have witnesses who say he had used it to buy votes", he said.

He declined to say where the money was coming from but said the Communist Party and the Revolutionary Left Movement, which backed Dr Siles Zuazo, were both international organizations.

General Pereda said Nationalists, who he termed the majority in Bolivia, were prepared to meet any threat with the best means available. He did not elaborate.

Dr Siles Zuazo told a separate press conference that General Pereda had used fraud to obtain high returns in some areas.

But, he said, the Bolivian people had expressed "their rejection of the dictatorship installed in August, 1971", a reference to the coup which brought General Hugo Banzer, the present head of state, to power.

Dr Siles Zuazo, aged 67, who returned from exile in March, said he was ready to form a Government in coalition with Christian Democrat and centrist leaders who gained surprising leads in two provinces.

Under the electoral law, up to 80 per cent of congressional seats go to the winning candidate with 20 per cent to his nearest rival.

The outsiders, if they do achieve victory in the two provinces, would be able to claim seats for those areas and might have the decisive vote if Congress has to choose the President.—Reuter.

Mexican minister hopes for links with Britain

By Peter Strafford

Mexico would like to create "a new atmosphere" in its relations with Britain, Señor Santiago Roel, the Mexican Foreign Minister, said in London yesterday. "It wants to establish a new diplomatic era, which is more affectionate and more profitable."

Señor Roel was speaking at the end of a five-day visit to Britain, in which he had discussed possible cooperation in various spheres, including oil and nuclear power. Mexico's large oil reserves made it the tenth producer in the world, and Señor Roel spoke of the possibility of joint ventures in marketing with Britain.

But he was particularly insistent on the need for Britain and Mexico to know each other better. Mexico was an industrialized country, he said, which sold electrical parts to Britain. As a result of its recent oil discoveries it was in a similar position as Britain.

It was most important that the two big producers of oil should exchange ideas and knowledge. He had discussed these possibilities with Dr Dickson Mabon, Minister of State in the Department of Energy, and had "planted a seed which will eventually germinate".

During Señor Roel's visit, Mexican officials also had talks on the possibility of an arrangement with Urenco, the British, Dutch and West German consortium, for the procesing of Mexican uranium. A Mexican commission is to come to London in September fo further talks.

Mexican officials sy that recent discoveries mae Mexico one of the sixth lrgest producers of uranium. t has plans for 20 nuclear plnts by the year 2000, and is nterested in becoming a prtner with Urenco and othe similar concerns, and not jst a client.

London plea for Soviet psychiatrist

By Peter Reddaway

The Royal College of Psychiatrists has spoken out in defence of Mr Alexander Podrabinek, a leading Soviet campaigner against the political abuse of psychiatry, who is due to go on trial soon.

In a letter to President Brezhnev, Professor Linford Rees, the retiring college president, asks him to take a personal interest in the case and to ensure that "if Mr Podrabinek is brought to trial, the trial is conducted openly".

Professor Rees says that it is difficult for the college "to understand what Mr Podrabinek has done that is in any way criminal".

Meanwhile, Mr Podrabinek's trial has been slightly delayed by conflicts over who should defend him. First the authorities refused him two lawyers of his choice, offering their own nominee. Last week, however, they allowed him Mr Yevgeny Shalman, one of his original choices.

At the same time, Mr Podrabinek's father engaged Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, a London QC, to defend his son. Mr Blom-Cooper will conduct a public defence hearing on Thursday in London at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, at which witnesses from several countries will present evidence.

Call against holding Moscow Olympics

By Robert Parker

Mr Vladimir Bukovsky, a leading Russian dissident now living in Britain, said yesterday that one of the best ways of protesting against the trials of Mr Anatoly Shcharansky and Mr Alexander Ginsburg, would be to mount a campaign against the holding of the 1980 Olympic Games in Moscow.

He did not think that the Western chorus of denunciations would have much effect other than to make the Russians more difficult at the strategic arms limitation talks.

Mr Bukovsky, a physicist and writer who spent more than 10 years in prisons before being exchanged for a Chilean Communist leader in 1976, was speaking at a press conference at the Institute of Physics in London. Mr John Macdonald, a lawyer acting for Dr Yuri Orlov, a dissident awaiting an appeal hearing in Russia, was also present.

Both men said that a campaign would soon be launched to embarrass the Russians over the Olympics. Mr Macdonald said an alternative Olympic Games might be held in Helsinki or somewhere else close to the Soviet Union.

Attempts would also be made to persuade athletes attending the Moscow games to "adopt" the couse of an individual dissident and to publicize his plight by such means as refusing to accept medals.

Mr Macdonald welcomed the British government's criticism of the Soviet Union over the trials. He urged members of the public who wanted to protest, to write to Dr David Owen, the Foreign Secretary.

Outside the Soviet Embassy in London yesterday Mr Andrew MacKay, Conservative MP for Birmingham Stechford, and Mrs Jill Knight, Conservative MP for Birmingham Edgbaston, were involved in an incident with an official as they tried to present a petition asking that Mr Kim Fridman, a Jewish engineer in Kiev, should be allowed to join his family in Israel. They were not admitted into the embassy grounds.

Promise of help from Dutch Prime Minister

From Our Correspondent
Amsterdam, July 11

Mrs Natalya Shcharansky, the wife of Mr Anatoly Shcharansky, the ewish dissident on trial in Moscow for high treason, was received today by Mr Andries van Agt, the Dutch Prime Minister

Mrs Shcharansky said that her talk with Mr Van Agt had been very useful. He had promised to do evrything possible to help Jews An the Sovier Union and in particular her husband and the other dissidents on trial.

Third World Report

Kenya's new dam will end both floods and drought

From Charles Harrison
Nairobi, July 11

Work has got under way on the biggest single development project ever initiated in Kenya. It aims at bringing direct benefits to an estimated several hundred thousand people and it should improve the lives of several million more Kenyans in the longer term.

The Tana river scheme, sited on Kenya's main river at a point about 65 miles north-east of Nairobi, officially began a few months ago. Planning started in 1974 when a special agency was set up (with finance from Britain) to work out how full use could be made of the country's main water resource.

At present, the flow of the Tana varies greatly from the wet to the dry seasons, causing extensive flooding alternated with a drastically reduced flow.

Perhaps the most important aspect of the scheme now going into operation will be to regulate the flow of the 800 mile-long river, making it possible to eradicate most of the flooding, establish an important source of drinking water for a fast-expanding Nairobi, open up new areas of irrigated agriculture and give new sources of hydro-electric power.

The key to meeting all these needs will be the construction of what will be Kenya's biggest man-made lake on the upper reaches of the Tana. An earth dam at Masinga, south of Mount Kenya, will create a 30 miles long lake capable of holding seven months flow of the river

The Masinga dam will have a maximum depth of 180 feet and it is planned to instal a hydro-electric plant with an initial output of only 40 megawatts but capable of expansion to 800 megawatts.

But the main development will be in public water supply and in irrigation. Big new irrigation schemes are already planned for development along the Tana river; some will be in areas which at present are flooded several times a year, but which will become available for agricultural production when the new dam is built.

It is planned to bring in about 40,000 more people for settlement in areas which are now either semi-desert or subject to severe flooding, but which, within five or six years, will be producing valuable crops of cotton and a wide range of foods.

The Nairobi area is growing so fast that its present water supply facilities are expected to be fully utilized by the late 1980s. The Tana river scheme will meanwhile ensure that Nairobi, as well as the less heavily-populated areas nearby, do not go short of water in the foreseeable future.

Not the least of the benefits will be the ending of many of the floods which frequently disrupt communications with north-eastern areas of Kenya. Already this year a number of places have again been cut off completely by flooded roads and ferry crossings, and have had to rely on expensive air links for essential communications.

Local flooding caused by heavy rains will still occur, but the Tana should no longer overflow its banks and flood thousands of square miles of countryside once the new dam is in operation.

The dam and the new lake will also provide recreational facilities—boating, fishing and so on—which are expected to make it popular with both local residents and tourists.

The whole scheme is expected to cost at least £100m, including about £70m for the new multi-purpose reservoir. Britain was the first to finance part of the scheme, providing £10m in grants and providing a number of experts to draw up the plans. The European Development Fund is providing a loan of £17m, and the West German Government has recently undertaken to provide a further £20m.

Kenya itself will finance a large part of the work, and further foreign aid is also expected.

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OVERSEAS

Mauritanian leaders form Cabinet of traditionalist figures

Nouakchott, July 11.—Mauritania's new ruling committee, headed by Lieutenant-Colonel Mustapha Ould Salek, in power since yesterday's coup, has formed a new Government of 16 members comprising eight officers and eight civilians, Mauritanian radio reported here today.

In Rabat, Moroccan observers of Mauritanian affairs said that the new Government was composed of men from the main tribal families and represented the conservative element of religious and nationalist tradition. Several members were close to the former Emir of Mauritania.

The observers said that some of the officers in the Government were former students of French military schools and could be considered as markedly pro-French. This was particularly the case with their leader, Colonel Ould Salek, who studied at the Saumur School for Reserve Officers.

Shaikh Mohamed Ould Laghdaf, the new Foreign Minister, is an important chief of the Hod tribe in eastern Mauritania.

The same sources said that leftist opposition to the former President Moktar Ould Daddah had not shown itself since the coup.

Algiers: Algerian newspapers today reported the Mauritanian coup but refrained from commenting on it. This reflected the caution observed by the Algerian Government.

The newspaper *El-Moudjahid* published a declaration by "a group of Mauritania-Sahara patriots" calling for an end to "the unjust, disastrous and unpopular war" in Western Sahara and the opening of a dialogue with the Polisario Front guerrillas.

The declaration recalled that Polisario had declared itself ready "to engage in unconditional peace negotiations to end attacks on Mauritanian territory and its army, if Nouakchott showed inclination to respect the right of the Saharan people to self-determination".

It added: "Morocco has led Mauritania into a disastrous war for the two countries. Why would Mauritania not be able to lead Morocco towards peace?"

In Kuwait, the newspaper *Al Saissa* said that the Mauritanian coup would lead to an extension of war in West Africa. It said that the leaders of the coup were close to Polisario and were supported by the Soviet Union.

The newspaper *Al-Anbaa* quoted sources in Cairo which said that American intelligence services were aware of preparations for the coup and had warned an unnamed Mauritanian official there.

Moroccan newspapers abstained from comment. They emphasized, however, the pledge made by the new leadership "to safeguard national unity" and to respect contracts and agreements between Mauritania and other states and international organizations.—Agence France Presse.

New charges against Mrs Gandhi lodged

From Our Correspondent
Delhi, July 11

The Indian Government today filed in the court of the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Mr P. K. Jain, three preliminary charges against Mrs Indira Gandhi, alleging excesses during the emergency declared while she was Prime Minister.

Another three charges have been filed against Mr Sanjay Gandhi, her son; Mr Bansi Lal, former Defence Minister; Mr Vidya Charan Shukla, former Minister of Information and Broadcasting; and a few others.

The charges are in the form of first information reports based on the interim reports of the Shah Commission, which investigated the allegations. The Central Bureau of Investigation, which has instituted the charges, will now make further investigations and prepare charge-sheets. According to official sources, the process will take a few more weeks to complete. The magistrate will then have to decide whether there is a case for Mrs Gandhi and the other accused to answer.

Mrs Gandhi and others have been charged with criminal conspiracy, tendering false evidence, forgery, criminal intimidation and framing an incorrect document with the intention to cause injury. Two charges relate to illegal detention of certain people during the emergency.

Mr Sanjay Gandhi is the main accused in a charge of illegal demolition of houses in Delhi.



$9m goat track: Goats amble along a five-mile bypass of America's new Route No. 23 in Pennsylvania which was covered with earth and seeded when cash ran out.

China cuts off all aid to Albania and calls back its experts

Peking, July 11.—China has cut off all economic aid to albania. The decision was announced to the Albanian Government in a Note on Friday, diplomatic source said in Peking today quoting official Chinese sources.

The decision has not been publicised either here or in Tirana. It confirmed predictions previously made by Albanian students about the topping of Chinese aid, the departure of Albanian students and experts from china and the recall of Chinese technicians from Albania.

Friday was the first anniversary of the first ideological attack against China in the Albanian Workers' Party organ, *Zeri i Popullit*.

The suspension of Chinese aid and the withdrawal of Chinese experts were believed to be the result of Albanian initiatives, diplomatic sources said here.

Albania was believed to have told China that it was dissatisfied with Chinese aid and to have questioned its usefulness.

All Albanian students in Peking, numbering about 100, should return home next week, according to an Albanian source at Peking University. An Albanian translator working in Peking would be leaving at the same time.

There are less than 20 Albanian students at Peking University. The others studied at the capital's other Universities Isinghua and the Peking Sports Institute,as well as in Shanghai and Shenyang in the north-east. The exact nummEr of Chinese technicians in Albania is not known but there are at least a couple of hundred of them. Chinese aid went to each sector of the Albanian economy since the Soviet Union cut off its aid at the end of 1960.

Albania has continuously denounced China's foreign policy in increasingly strong terms. The main points of the dispute are the Maoist theory of the "three worlds" first set out in April, 1974, by Mr Teng Hsiao-ping, who is now Deputy Prime Minister, and China's call for a worldwide front against the two super powers, above all the "main enemy" the Soviet Union.

Albanian criticism of China reached its peak during the visit of President tito of Yugoslavia to Peking at the end of August last year.

The last straw came probably on June 24 when Albania sided with Vietnam in the sino-Vietnamese dispute over Chinese resiients leaving Vietnam. That day *Zeri i Popullit* virtually put China, though without naming it, among the "imperialists". Albania also sided with Vietnam in its armed conflict with Cambodia.—Agence France-Presse.

Hanoi protests at flights trespassing over border

Hongkong, July 11.—Vietnam said today that Chinese fighter aircraft twice violated Vietnamese airspace along the border between the two countries last Saturday.

The official Vietnamese News Agency, in a report monitored here, said two separate pairs of Chinese aircraft penetrated up to 18 miles into Northern Vietnam.

A strong protest Note had been handed to the Chinese Chargé d'Affaires in Hanoi, but he had refused to accept it, saying he was "not yet fully informed about the affair".

Tokyo: The Chinese navy is apparently reinforcing its southern fleet as tension increases between China and Vietnam, Western military sources in Japan said.

More Chinese warships were in the South China Sea than before the dispute with Vietnam over the fate of ethnic Chinese in Vietnam and the strengthening links between Hanoi and Moscow.

Units of China's southern fleet could be spending more time at sea than before, but it is more likely that ships from China's two other fleets had been sent south.

The recent reinforcements of the southern fleet are believed to include a new class of warship—a high speed patrol boat armed with both radar-guided automatic guns and what is believed to be a new kind of anti-shipping missile.

The sources were less sure of movements of the 40,000 marines attached to the Chinese navy or the 700 combat planes in the naval air arm. But they said there were indications that more naval aircraft had been sent to provinces just north of Vietnam—Reuter.

Bomb man overpowered by hostages

New York, July 11.—An unemployed factory worker who took four hostages and threatened to blow up New York's tallest skyscraper was beaten into submission last night by one of his captives wielding a flagpole.

Astonished police burst into the room on the thirty-sixth floor of the World Trade Centre where Polish-born Waldislo Fracez had held four hostages for nine hours and saw one of the captives beating him with the state flag.

The drama began yesterday morning when Mr Fracez, angered that his plea for compensation benefits was being delayed, seized a judge, his own lawyer, an insurance representative and a stenographer at a state workmen's compensation board hearing.

He claimed he had 80lb of dynamite and a hand grenade to detonate it. But policemen who arrested him said he only had a bag containing unidentified liquid, a knife and four loaves of bread.—Reuter.

Payment delay hits Uganda fuel supplies

From Our Correspondent
Nairobi, July 11

Uganda is experiencing shortages of petrol, with many petrol stations closed and long queues at those which are still open.

Aircraft landing at Entebbe airport have been unable to refuel, and airlines have been asked to ensure that their aircraft arrive with enough fuel for their onward journey.

The shortages have been caused by delays in payment for fuel supplies from the refinery at Mombasa in Kenya.

President Amin yesterday met representatives of all the oil companies operating in Uganda and told them Uganda would meet its obligations. But he said Uganda needed petrol to transport its exports to gain foreign currency.

The oil companies have told Ugandan officials that payment must be made in advance

Ghana assured of return to civil rule next year

Accra, July 11.—Lieutenant-General F. W. K. Akuffo, Ghana's new military leader, pledged last night that the ruling Supreme Military Council would hand over power to a popularly elected Government on July 1, 1979. The general took over as head of state from General Ignatius Acheampong last week.

In a broadcast he also declared a general amnesty for all Ghanaians in self-imposed exile who were not wanted for criminal offences.

General Akuffo called for a genuine national reconciliation and said that as a first step to unity and stability the Government had already released detainees arrested after the March 30 referendum.

According to diplomatic sources here, General Acheampong is under guard on an isolated island in the Volta river 76 miles north-east of the capital. His wife and children were with him, the sources added.

General Akuffo said that Ghana's foreign policy had not been changed. He wished to "reassure the world of our commitment to honour all contractual agreements entered into by Ghana with foreign governments . . . and to offer Ghana's friendship to all nations . . . on the basis of mutual respect for each other's independence and sovereignty".

Ghana would continue its unqualified support for the Organization of African Unity in fighting for freedom of all territories in Africa and in promoting peace

Meanwhile, Major-General Nathaniel Odartey Wellington has been sworn in as member of the Supreme Military Council.—Agence France-Presse.

Droughts in Sahel can kill far more people than wars

Paris, July, 11.—Ten times more people may die this summer in sub-Saharan Africa (the Sahel) from drought than from the regional conflicts which capture much of the world limelight, a French minister predicts.

The back-stage battle against starvation affects millions of Africans in a belt stretching from the Atlantic to the Red Sea.

The seven million most directly threatened are in The Gambia, Senegal, Niger, Upper Volta, Cape Verde, Mauritania, Mali and Chad. But the peril also hovers in Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, northern Nigeria, Ethiopia and Somalia.

In East Africa an additional threat is posed by swarms of migrating locusts which appeared this year after a freak period of abundant rainfall in desert breeding grounds.

M Robert Galley, Minister for Cooperation, has sounded the alarm in a report published in Paris, emphasizing the need for emergency aid to forestall a disaster equalling that of the two-year Sahel drought of 1972-1974, when more than 100,000 people and 6,000,000 head of cattle died.

In 1973 the Sahel states formed the Interstate Committee against Drought in the Sahel (ILSS), to organize and implement a long-term programme against drought and desertification.

President Dawda Jawara of the Gambia, the current CILSS chairman, visited Paris recently during a tour of Western countries contributing to CILSS projects.

He said 25 per cent to 30 per cent of projects covered by phase one of the programme (1977-1982) were now financially covered. He estimated the total cost of phase one at $3,000m (about £1,500m).

Certain Sahel states—Mauritania and Senegal among them—had received enough aid to make up their shortfall, but others had received only a third or a half.

—Agence France-Presse.

John Rockefeller killed in crash

New York, July 11.—John D. Rockefeller III, the oldest member of America's wealthiest family, was killed in a car accident near the family's Pocantico Hills estate last night. He was 72.

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Dated this 6th day of July, 1978.
BERNARD PHILLIPS,
Chartered Accountant,

LEGAL NOTICES

THE COMPANIES ACT 1948
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATOR
Name of Company: HEADINGTON TRAVEL AGENCY Limited of 63 London Road, Headington, Oxford.
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Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 2 (3) of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act 1975 that it is the intention of the Thames Water Authority to alter as follows fishing licence duties to become effective in their area on and after the first day of April 1979.
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R. A. R. GRAY, Solicitor,
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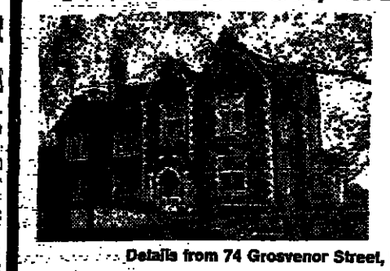
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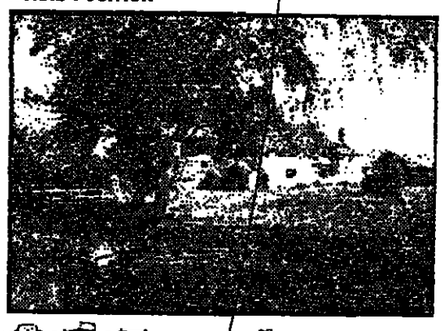
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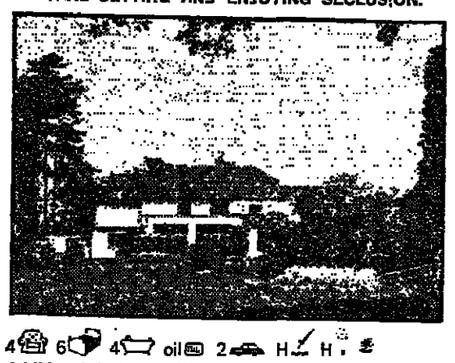
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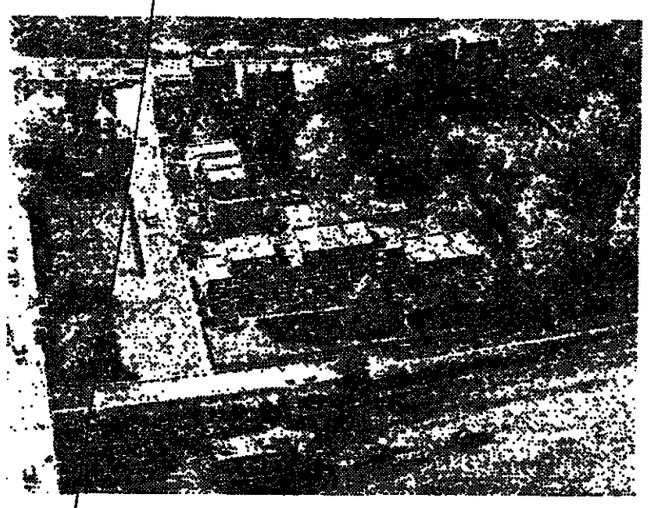
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Books for Children

Midnight jauntings

The Little Giant
By Philippe Dumas
(Dent, £3..0)
The Amazing Bone
By William Steig
(Hamish Hamilton, £3.25)

Philippe Dumas is rapidly emerging as a stylish and confident creator of picture books. After his two small books last year about Edward the Donkey (who could well turn out to be an equine Babar) he has now pictured the midnight jauntings of a small girl—"the little giant"—who shrinks to the size of her dolls. After a quick supper they all jump on to the family terrier and career about the countryside, sailing in old shoes and drinking turtle soup with rabbits. Eventually a fast-expanding little giant scrambles back to bed just in time to be brought her early morning tea by an even larger giant in a fancy dressing-gown.

Mr Dumas's charm lies very much in his pictures: framed line-and-wash drawings set in large grey-coloured pages, each one capable of evoking fuller comment than is given in its line or two of explanatory text. Such treatment stands in striking contrast to William Steig's *The Amazing Bone*, where a book of the same format is given over to a much longer story illustrated by a scatter of colour pictures that vary with the varying pace of the text. Apt as these are, they are only incidental to William Steig's fanciful story of Pearl Pig, who finds a talking bone that saves her from the attentions of masked bandits and then of suave Mr Fox. "'Unhand her villain', says the bone, 'or I'll bite your ears off'", thus conveying something of the vivacity and character of Mr Steig's text. Unlike *The Little Giant*, you've got to hang on here to every printed word, for that is where the individuality really lies.

Brian Alderson

Trouble with gerbils

The Battle of Bubble and Squeak
By Philippa Pearce
Illustrated by Alan Baker
(André Deutsch, £2.50)

Well here's a rum do. You might think it was just a simple tale for the little ones about two gerbils. They are brought home surreptitiously from school by Sid Parker; they are objected to straight away by his mum (remarried) Alice Sparrow; and the book seems almost to be writing itself as it moves through various near disasters to a final accommodation. Curtains are chewed, covert attempts are made by mum to dispose of the wretched creatures, and the climax is brought about by the precipitate, uninvited entrance of a gerbil-fancying cat. It's all beautifully managed by one of our most accomplished writers for children, whose skill matches her perception:

> "That's one of those gerbil-things". Mrs Sparrow said in the voice of a sleepwalker. The gerbil seemed not to like her tone, for it withdrew into the [newspaper] tube again. Meanwhile, another gerbil sat up on its hind-legs behind another tube in which it rested one front paw as if to begin public speaking . . .

But the rumminess about it is that underneath these simple events there stirs a personal drama, which is all the tenser for being thus submerged. Mrs Sparrow, you see, is no children's-book villain neatly placed to twist the plot at appropriate moments. She is herself the victim of a profound, unspoken frustration: a brooder over midnight cups of tea, a compulsive duster, seeking to keep her family life in order as she keeps her house. In her Miss Philippa Pearce—who is a dab-hand at portraying unlikeable adults—has drawn the most unlikeable of the lot, but, for that very reason, when the moment arrives for Mrs Sparrow to take decisive, positive action the book pulses with a life that has nothing to do with the gerbil-things, but only with the peoplethings outside the cage. A rare moment.

Beside the subtlety of Miss Pearce's craftsmanship most of the other new stories about everyday family life seem more than a touch pedestrian. In their own fashion however Robert Leeson in Challenge in the Dark and Gillian Avery in Moody's Orphan (both Collins, £.50) generate surface excitement with stories written, so the publisher says, "for the 7-11 age group who have just learned to read". Mr Leeson is inclined to erudite references about the *modus vivendi* of heroes who live in council-houses, and Miss Avery to that of heroines who live in Victorian cottages, but once they get them trapped down old air-raid shelters or in blizzards the reader ceases to worry too much about such verismo and enjoys what the publishers go on to call in their educated way "an exciting read".

Heather Renshaw



An illustration by Jill McDonald for Norman Hunter's latest guide for the fledgling conjuror: *Vanishing Ladies and Other Magic* (Bodley Head, £2.95).

Rebellious queen

Song for a Dark Queen
By Rosemary Sutcliff
(Pelham Books, £3.75)

Boudicca . . . Boadicea . . . even her name is obscure—but for a few brief months she came out of the darkness and won herself two thousand years of bright and bloody fame. "To this day", said Collingwood in 1937 writing about London, "men digging in the city find everywhere the layer of ashes which is all that was left when her men had done their work".

It is Rosemary Sutcliff's achievement to have set these months into the context of a completely imagined life. Taking a theory from T. C. Lethbridge that Boudicca's tribe of the Iceni held still to the old customs of a matriarchal society, Miss Sutcliff plunges into a fictional reconstruction which not only explains the ferocity of the Boudiccan rebellion but also recreates a sense of the very air of the times.

I don't think it matters whether her perceptions be right or wrong in historical terms (and how shall we ever know?). By putting Boudicca's story into words told by her Court Harper, by awakening through him a plangent regret for the primitive pride and wildness of the age, Miss Sutcliff brings us into direct sympathy with Queen and Tribe (while letters home from Gneus Julius Agricola show the humane Roman reaction too).

Like her great master, Kipling, she is also able to imply something of the continuities that exist between those dark times and our own. The strata which hold the ashes of Camulodunum and Londinium cannot be wholly obliterated, and for one reader at least the car parks and one-way systems of Colchester will never be the same again.

Frank Adams

Song for a Dark Queen is one of four books which are today announced as winners of "The Other Award". The others are: *Discovering Africa's Past* by Basil Davidson (Longman, £3.50), *Gypsy Family* by Mary Waterson and Lance Brown (A. & C. Black, £1.50) and the ninth paperback reprint of *The Goalkeeper's Revenge* by Bill Naughton (Puffin, 50p).

For young plant hunters

The image of the Branestawm-like plant-hunter, scouring the countryside for rare specimens has now been replaced by luminous lines of Nature Trailers eager for their first sighting. But wild-flower spotting is for everyone and it can enliven the dullest holiday traffic-jam as well as giving point and interest to country walks.

A good example of a book which can foster this interest in children is Christopher Humphries's **Spotter's Guide to Wild Flowers** (Usborne, £1.50 and 65p). Mr Humphries has obviously used his experience at the Natural History Museum to provide a cheerful introduction, full of information and with colourful pictures (by Hilary Burn), which can readily lead children to more serious study. Everything is very simple (no Latin names) and the approach practical (a circle to tick for each plant found) but it is all directed towards building good scientific foundations.

Also among the cheap and cheerful are a series of little booklets from Jarrold Colour Publications: **Wild Flowers of Chalk and Limestone; Wild Flowers of Moors and Heaths**; and so on (there are about six titles at present) and at 50p each they offer very good value. Each consists of a brief text describing the terraine, followed by around fifty colour photographs of specimens with a facing descripton. They are easy to carry and simple to use.

Suitable for quite young children, the Ladybird Book of **British Wild Flowers**, at 30p, is even cheaper. This lists some 74 plants, most of them common. The descriptions appear opposite groupings of the flowers, showing them in their natural habitat, but the brown cast over the illustrations coupled with the rather aggressive colouring of the flowers gives the book a curiously sombre, almost threatening character which is, perhaps, in keeping with this year's "typical English summer".

The more sophisticated guides range from coffee-table volumes of colour photographs to pocket-sized books full of botanical detail. Among the former, Roger Phillips's **Wild Flowers of Britain** (Pan, £3.95), a large-format paperback, certainly deserves mention. The photographs are grouped in "calendar order" and some plants appear more than once as they progress from inflorescence to fruit during the year. The arrangement is artistically satisfying and attractive for browsers, but with no "key" and only brief descriptions it could be difficult to use for pinning-down actual specimens. **The Oxford Book of Wild Flowers** by S. Ary and M. Gregory with illustrations by B. E. Nicholson (Oxford, £4.95) does somewhat better, for here plants are grouped by flower colour and are also arranged in botanical families, which means that with a little practice one can reduce the random search to a few pages. This volume is also available in a handy pocket edition, price £2.25.

Both The **Pocket Encyclopaedia of Wild Flowers** by M. Skytte Christiansen (Blandford, £2.45) and the **Pocket Guide to Wild Flowers** by David McClintock and R. S. R. Fitter (Collins, £4.95) are organized along similar lines to the Oxford *Wild Flowers*, but they are more difficult to use, for the text is divorced from the illustrations which necessitates much to-ing and fro-ing before one tracks down one's quarry.

By far the most satisfactory volume to use, apart from a standard *Flora* with its attendant botanical minutiae, is the **Field Guide in Colour to Wild Flowers** by Dietmar Aichele, with illustrations by Marianne Golte-Bechtele (Octopus, £2.95). The flowers are arranged by colour, family and habitat; there is a synopsis of the arrangement at the beginning; and the edges of the pages are coloured to correspond with the flower colours for easy reference. The descriptions face the illustrations and there is efficient *cross-referencing* of plants which have more than one habitat or variable colour. This has no pretensions to being a standard flora, but it offers the amateur botanist a simple and effective means of identifying "what is what". To find "where is what", R. S. R. Fitter's **Finding Wild Flowers** (Collins, £5.50) provides the last word. This has a simplified key to the plant descriptions which include details of where they may be found, even the very rare ones. There is also an extensive discussion of the ecological areas of the British Isles, listing common and uncommon plants found in each. This is not a first book, but for those bitten by the plant-hunting bug, it is a rich source of pleasure—I know, having just spent five days in the wake of a carnivorous plant addict!

Valerie Alderson

Our reviewer is one of the judges for this year's *Times Educational Supplement* Information Book Awards, the results of which will be announced in the autumn.

Fire and water

Dragons Live Forever
By Robert Swindells
Illustrated by Petula Stone
(Hodder & Stoughton, £1.95)
The Devil's Cut
By Clive King
Illustrated by Val Biro
(Hodder & Stoughton, £1.95)

The town of Rawthwaite is famous for its dragons, sold for use as fire lighters, kept in dark cellars, and bonsaied by not being fed properly (on pine cones), by the nasty Back family (Hunch, his wife Twoton Carmen, and sons Piggy and Stickle) a bunch of genuine stinkers. Even the cruelty man is not much help. The dragons do escape with the help of two little girls, Nikki (seven) and Sajida (eight). On the page Sajida is what Dame Edna would call "one of our little tinted friends" but as no clues are given as to origin and background, tinted is what she remains. The biggest dragon flies away with the wicked Hunch clinging to his neck.

What happened to him? Everyone is sure to ask, and it is unkind if a fantasy does not provide all the answers in a rational manner. It just means a whole lot of luckless adults beating their brains out.

There is no fantasy about *The Devil's Cut*; down to earth is more like it, because it is the history of the cutting of the Regent's Canal in 1820, told in very simple language, rather given to Capital Letters. Seen through the eyes of two children, Horatio and Jenny, who take the cows off to Primrose Hill every day, the canal is cut through the fields. There are some adventures a brief cameo part played by Old Mother Redcap and an angry meeting of the people, dispossessed by the new technology, until the great opening day when Horatio can sail his model of the *Victory* in the water. If it will teach the very small to look around them at the cities in which they live, and encourage them to grow up and join Associations for the Preservation of Industrial Buildings, Clive King and Val Biro will have done a Good Deed.

Philippa Toomey

Eeek!

Mouse Soup
By Arnold Lobel
(World's Work, £2.50)

A mouse is caught by a weasel and put in the pot. But like Sheherezade on another occasion he persuades his captor that stories come first, and tells four little tales that eventually rescue him from becoming weasel supper. They are not much more than the impromptu anecdotes that anyone might think up to save himself from being turned into soup, but they are garnished here by Mr Lobel's warm, funny illustrations that convert a routine contribution to the I-Can-Read series into a book with shapeliness and character.

Mouse Soup may be seen as a near relation in this series to Arnold Lobel's earlier volume of *Mouse Tales*—no less than seven tiny stories told by Papa Mouse at bed-time to his seven tucked-up children. It has now been issued as one of the paperback editions drawn from the series and it makes as cheerful an introduction to the reading of books as one could wish (60p).

B.A.

This year's Children's Books of the Year Exhibition opens in a week's time at the National Book League and runs from July 19 to Saturday, August 5. As well as the display of books there will be entertainments on most weekdays—storytelling, illustrators-at-work, dressing-up. As always, the generously annotated catalogue (£2.25) is by Elaine Moss. Further details from the NBL, 7 Albemarle Street, W1.

Living in

The Country Maid
By Barbara Willard
(Hamish Hamilton, £3.75)

Forty years ago, every tenth worker in this country was in domestic service. The Second World War swept away that improbable society but at the time it was only the politically aware who questioned its assumptions. The average suburban housewife and her average living-in maid had no idea they were on the brink of a social revolution.

The Country Maid starts with an interview in which Mrs Garside decides to employ 16-year-old Cassie—Edith as she prefers to call her because she does not consider Cassandra to be a suitable name for a servant. "She will have every Wednesday afternoon and evening, and every other Sunday. I suggest twelve and six pence a week and I shall supply her uniform." Mrs Garside does not mean to sound harsh. Within the accepted master/servant relationship of her day she is, in fact, gentle and considerate and Cassie, recovering from initial homesickness, finds security and satisfaction as a member of her household. Number 15 Stanton Road is examined through two pairs of eyes: Cassie/Edith's and Miss Jean's, the eighteen-year-old daughter of the house. They become friends, in so far as friendship was possible in those days between two girls on different sides of the employment fence. Cassie is unsentimental and shrewd: Jean romantic and gauche, a fledgling writer. Both have boyfriend trouble; both are experiencing the uncertainties and excitements of growing up. The novel is made up of small moments analysed with clinical elegance. But the climax in which Cassie returns to Nature, reads like a chapter from a Hardy epic.

Town mouse versus country mouse and rich man, poor man: Barbara Willard interweaves the two themes most skilfully in this delightful novel which mothers should enjoy as much as their daughters.

Joy Whitby

Holiday specials

Elizabeth Holt and Molly Perham's Kids' London is now something of a holiday necessity and a welcome new edition has just arrived (Evans £2.95; Piccolo, 70p). For older members of the brood off on their own a handbook cram-full of facts—from methods of travel (including hitch-hiking) to information about specific countries — is Jonathan Walters's **Travel on the Cheap** (Penguin, 90p). Mary Norwak and Sue Gibson's **Something to Collect** (Puffin, 60p) is hardly an authoritative guide to any of its 48 topics but it does have helpful addresses of places to visit and suggestions for more books to read.

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Court of Appeal

Unintended discrimination unlawful

Fletcher v Clay Cross (Quarry Services) Ltd

Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Lawton and Lord Justice Browne

Where a company employed a male sales clerk at a higher wage than a woman clerk already in its employ because he refused to work for less than he had been receiving in his previous job and was the only suitable applicant, the variation between the woman's contract and the man's was not due to a material difference (other than sex) between her case and his within the meaning of section 1(3) of the Equal Pay Act, 1970.

The Court of Appeal allowed an appeal by Mrs Karen Fletcher, of Tean Road, Cheadle, Staffordshire, from the Employment Appeal Tribunal (Mr Justice Kilner Brown, Mrs D. Ewing and Mr W. L. Kendall) which in April, 1977, allowed an appeal by her employers, Clay Cross (Quarry Services) Ltd, and reversed the decision of an industrial tribunal at Shrewsbury awarding her equality of pay.

Mr Anthony Lester, QC, and Mr E. Tabachnik for Mrs Fletcher; Mr Charles Gibson for the company.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that Mrs Fletcher was one of three clerks employed in the sales office of Clay Cross (Quarry Services) Ltd. In 1975, when one left, the company had advertised the vacancy. Only one applicant, a Mr Tunnicliffe, was worthy of consideration. He would not come for less than £43 a week. So the company employed him at that wage, which was much more than Mrs Fletcher and the other clerk, also a woman, were getting.

In June, 1976, Mrs Fletcher applied for equality to the industrial tribunal under the Equal Pay Act. By a majority the tribunal decided in her favour and awarded her the same pay as Mr Tunnicliffe. The Employment Appeal Tribunal held in favour of the company, rejecting Mrs Fletcher's claim.

There was no doubt that Mrs Fletcher had made out a prima facie case. She proved that she was employed on like work with a man in the same employment and that her wages were less than his. So her contract was deemed to include an equality clause by which her wages were to be equal to the man's. The company relied on the exception in section 1(3).

The question was whether the variation between Mrs Fletcher's pay and Mr Tunnicliffe's was due to a material difference other than sex between her case and his.

The Appeal Tribunal thought that the issue depended on the company's state of mind: on the reason why it had paid the man more than the woman, and that if the reason had nothing to do with sex it could pay him more. The tribunal relied on the managing director's evidence that sex was of no importance and that if Mr Tunnicliffe had been a woman asking for £43 the company would have employed her at that rate.

In so deciding the Appeal Tribunal had fallen into error. The issue did not depend on the employer's state of mind; it did not depend on the employer's reasons for paying the man more. The employer might not intend to discriminate against the woman, but, if the result of his actions was that she was discriminated against, his conduct was unlawful.

The issue depended on whether there was a material difference, other than sex, between the woman's case and the man's. The words used by section 1(3) showed that the tribunal was to have regard to the personal equation of the woman as compared with that of the man.

The tribunal was not to have regard to any extrinsic forces which had led to the man being paid more. An employer could not avoid his obligations under the Act by saying "I paid him more because he asked for more." If any such excuse were permitted, the Act would be a dead letter.

Nor could the employer avoid his obligations by giving the reasons why he had submitted to the extrinsic forces; as, for instance, by saying that the man had asked for that sum because it was what he had been getting in his previous job, or that he was the only applicant for the job. Those were reasons personal to the employer. If any such reasons were permitted as an excuse the door would be wide open and employers could walk straight through the Act.

The United States Equal Pay Act, 1962, expressly permitted a difference in the pay of men and women if it was made pursuant to "a differential based on any factor other than sex". In interpreting the provision, the courts in the United States had held that the Act was violated even though the employer had no intention to discriminate, and also though market forces had brought about the difference in pay.

On the evidence, Mrs Fletcher's lower pay was not due to a "material difference" between her case and Mr Tunnicliffe's. It was due to extrinsic circumstances, namely, that he could not be recruited for the work except by paying him more. The decision of the industrial tribunal should be restored.

LORD JUSTICE LAWTON said that it had been submitted that further evidence should have been put before the industrial tribunal for the purpose of finding out whether the wage which Mr Tunnicliffe received from his former employers reflected a sex differential. On the basis of the United States decisions there was good reason for that submission. It was suggested that the chairman of the tribunal should have asked questions of witnesses to find out why Mr Tunnicliffe had been paid his former wage.

His Lordship found all those complications disturbing. Parliament had intended that industrial tribunals should provide a quick and cheap remedy for what it had decided were injustices in the employment sphere. When construing uncertainties in the statutes the courts should lean in favour of a simplicity in meaning which would safeguard informality in procedure.

What did section 1(3) mean? Its context in both the Equal Pay Act, 1970, and the Sex Discrimination Act, 1975, was important. The overall object of both Acts was to ensure that women were treated no less favourably than men. There were more ways of discriminating than by deliberately setting out to do so. If lack of intention provided a lawful excuse for variation section 1(3) would surely have been worded differently.

The variation must have been genuinely due to a material difference between "her case and his". "Her case" embraced what appertained to her in her job, such as the qualifications she had brought to it and the skill she had acquired. What did not appertain to her job or to his were the circumstances in which they came to be employed. Those were collateral to the jobs as such.

When construing article 119 of the EEC Treaty the European Court might have to evolve some exceptions such as arose from personal equations. It was most unlikely to evolve an exception based on such a vague conception as economic factors or market pressures. To do so would strike at the object of article 119. In the labour market women had always been in a worse position than men. Under both article 119 and the Equal Pay Act that was no longer to be so.

LORD JUSTICE BROWNE said that the fact that the company could not get anyone other than Mr Tunnicliffe was not a difference between his case and Mrs Fletcher's: it was a general bargaining factor common to any applicant.

It was not necessary or desirable to try to lay down in the present case any general rule about what was or was not capable of being a "material difference". It was enough to say that it would frustrate the purpose of the Act if the mere facts that a man asked for more than a woman was being paid for like work and that the employer agreed because of some bargaining factor (other than some personal characteristic or qualification to the advantage of the man) were enough to satisfy section 1(3).

The appeal was allowed.

Solicitors: Pattinson & Brewer; Knight & Sons, Newcastle-under-Lyme.

Pornography: import ban not against EEC treaty

Regina v Henn
Regina v Darby

Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Waller and Mr Justice Milmo

[Judgment delivered July 7]

Statutory prohibition of the importation of pornographic material into this country has not been overwhelmed by legislation of the European Community which has as its object the free circulation of goods in member states.

The Court of Appeal so decided when refusing applications by Maurice Donald Henn, aged 45, and John Frederick Ernest Darby, aged 39, for leave to appeal against conviction after a 41-day trial at Ipswich Crown Court (Judge Bertrand Richards) of various offences relating to pornographic articles, including contravention of section 304 of the Customs and Excise Act, 1952, by being knowingly concerned in the fraudulent evasion of the prohibition in section 42 of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876, on the importation of indecent or obscene material. Mr Henn was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment, Mr Darby, who received a five years' sentence, had it reduced to 4½ years on appeal.

Mr Louis Schaffer for the applicant Henn; Mr Erolé Money and Mr C. J. Algar for the applicant Darby; Mr Colin Nicholls for the Crown.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that the applicants, who conducted a mail order business in all kinds of pornographic literature, faced an indictment containing 15 counts which included nearly all the variations of indecency offences, including contraventions of section 11 of the Post Office Act, 1953, and section 2(1) of the Obscene Publications Act, 1959. The count under section 304 of the 1952 Act concerned a lorry load of pornographic goods coming from Holland on the Rotterdam to Felixstowe route, which went to a rendezvous at a layby some two miles from the disembarkation point and eventually found their way into the applicants' organization.

On the face of the evidence there was nothing surprising in the convictions. What was surprising was the argument that, since the entry of this country into the European Community, there had been a change in the domestic local law to the effect that, inter alia, the prohibition imposed by section 42 of the 1876 Act on the movement of goods no longer applied and that EEC legislation had overwhelmed the English domestic legislation on the point.

There was something in that argument because the fact of entering the Community had made substantial differences in legislation.

One major objective of the Community was that goods should have free circulation between the various member states. The argument was that, in pursuance of that desire, the effect of the changes of legislation had been to remove the section 42 prohibition.

The basis of the argument was article 9 of the Treaty of Rome which provided for the free movement of goods between member states—the promised land at which the Community aimed.

Article 30 provided that "quantitative" restrictions on imports and all measures having equivalent effect were to be prohibited between member states, subject to later provisions in the treaty.

The prohibition in section 42 was total not merely by quantity, and, at first blush and subject to authority, their Lordships would be inclined to say that article 30 did not apply because the restriction did not relate to a quantitative measure.

The matter did not stop there because, even if the prohibition appeared to be caught by article 30, there was a further defence in article 36, which provided that the provisions of article 30 and other articles "shall not preclude prohibitions or restriction on imports . . . justified on grounds of public morality, public policy or public security . . .".

For the Crown it was argued that, notwithstanding the creation of the Community and the foregoing provisions and the proper construction of "quantitative", article 36 saved the prohibition in section 42.

Their Lordships were entirely in agreement with the Crown's argument on the point.

A contrary argument was that "quantitative" was to be given a very wide interpretation. Authority in EEC cases justified the general statement, but their Lordships found it extremely difficult to see how the adjective "quantitative" could appear in article 30 except to limit the prohibition to prohibitions concerned with quantity and not for any other purpose.

Their Lordships had also been shown authority which indicated that "justified" in article 36 was equivalent to "necessary". Perhaps it was, but "justified" was the actual word in the official translation of the treaty and seemed far more appropriate. Therefore, in the context of the present case, their Lordships were inclined to think that they were not required to read the plain English word "justified" as though it were "necessary".

Much of the argument had been that the case should be referred to the European Court of Justice at Luxembourg under article 177, which provided that any court of a member state "may" refer problems of interpretation of the treaty. The approach had been indicated in *H. P. Bulmer Ltd v Bollinger SA* ([1974] Ch 401, 421): Their Lordships in the present case would undoubtedly refer the case if they had any doubt at all whether they had the right solution to the problem posed.

While there might be future cases in which a real question was raised as to the meaning of "public morals or public policy", their Lordships did not see any possible way in which such issues could arise in the present case. It seemed too clear to be argued. The plain purpose of article 36 was to preserve prohibitions which had the plain purpose of supporting public morality. A prohibition on the introduction of obscene literature could not be otherwise than a prohibition justified on the grounds of public morality and public policy.

One criticism by Mr Money of the summing up, which had occupied five days, was that the judge had failed sufficiently to direct the jury about the "aversion theory"—that people instead of being attracted by the material might be disgusted and "averted" by its unpleasantness. The theory was propounded in *R v Anderson* ([1972] 1 QB 304), and it had to be mentioned in the summing up because the idea might never occur to some jurors unless they had it pointed out to them. The language used by the judge would have got that idea over to them.

The summing up was too long and lacked pattern and shape; a long summing up did require pattern and shape, and planning was important in order to make it really helpful to the jury. The final question, however, was whether the verdicts were unsafe or unsatisfactory. They were not. The applications were refused.

'Whole family' for immigration purposes

Harmail Singh v Vice-President of the Immigration Appeal Tribunal

Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Eveleigh and Sir David Cairns

[Judgments delivered July 6]

There is no ground in law under the Immigration Appeals (Procedure) Rules for the contention that the expression "whole family" in paragraph 44 of the Immigration Rules for Control on Entry, Commonwealth Citizens, meant dependent members of that family.

The Court of Appeal dismissed applications by Mr Harmail Singh, of Athauda, Jullundur, India, for orders of certiorari and mandamus directing the Vice-President of the Immigration Appeal Tribunal, Mr D. L. Neve, to give leave to, and hear, his appeal from an adjudicator under the Immigration Act, 1971. The adjudicator, Sir John Cotton, had dismissed Mr Singh's appeal from an entry clearance officer's refusal of his application to accompany members of his family to the United Kingdom for permanent settlement as a dependant of his father, Mr Gurbax Singh, of Uxbridge Road, Slough, Berkshire. The adjudicator held that Mr Harmail Singh could not claim that his "whole family" within the meaning of the Immigration Rules were settled in this country because he had an elder brother still resident in India who was not cut off from him.

The vice-president, refusing leave to appeal, held that no arguable point of law was before the tribunal, and that there was nothing in the expression "whole family" in paragraph 44 of the rules to indicate that it meant dependent members of that family.

The Control on Entry Rules (laid before Parliament under section 3 (2) of the Immigration Act, 1971) provided by paragraph 44: "Generally, children aged 18 or over must qualify . . . in their own right; but . . . an unmarried and fully dependent son under 21 . . . who formed part of the family unit overseas may be admitted if the whole family are settled in the United Kingdom or are being admitted for settlement."

Mr K. S. Nathan for Mr Singh; Mr Michael Kennedy for the vice-president.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the father, Mr Gurbax Singh, had his wife and children in India, where they had a 20-acre farm. In 1969 he came to England and became settled here. He wanted to get members of his family over here. After seeing the entry clearance officer in Delhi, his wife, two daughters of 19, and a son of 13, came here in 1976. The father wanted another son, Harmail, who was 20, to come. Harmail, however, had an elder brother of 25 who was remaining in India to farm the family land and he was refused admission.

The adjudicator, while prepared to accept that Harmail in 1975 was the unmarried and fully dependent son under 21 of Mr Gurbax Singh, found that because of the elder brother in India he could not claim that the whole of his family was settled here and so he did not comply with the requirements of paragraph 44.

Was the elder son part of the family unit? If he had left home and married and had his own family he would not be part of the family unit. But he was remaining to farm the family land in India and the adjudicator was entitled to find that he was still part of the family unit.

It was contended that the vice-president ought to have granted leave to appeal "upon an arguable point of law" under rule 14(2) (a) of the Immigration Appeals (Procedure) Rules, 1972 (SI No 1684 of 1972). That contention had not been made out and the application for leave to appeal was refused.

Lord Justice Eveleigh and Sir David Cairns agreed.

Solicitors: Farmar, Miller & Turnsek, Hendon; Treasury Solicitor.

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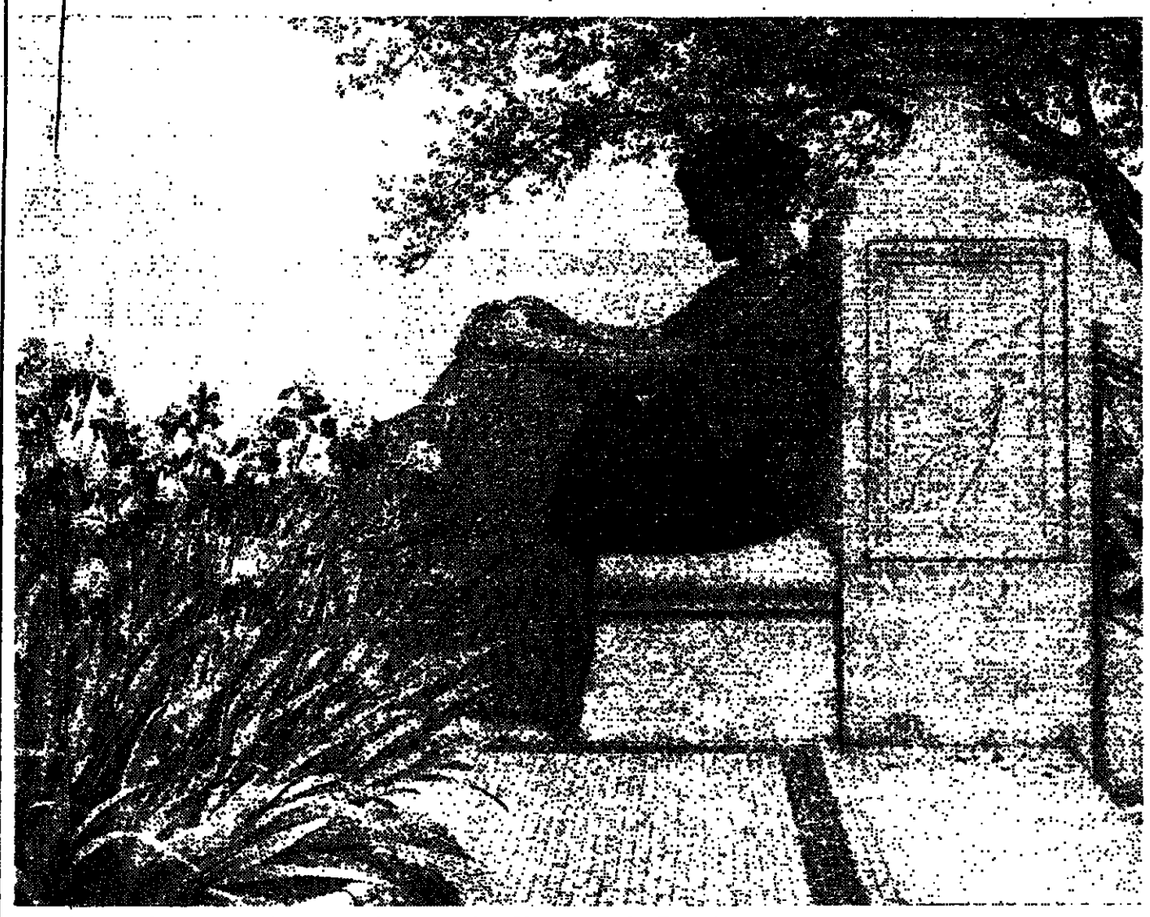
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THE ARTS



John William Godward: Under the Blossom that Hangs on the Bough

Victorians in pursuit of the ideal

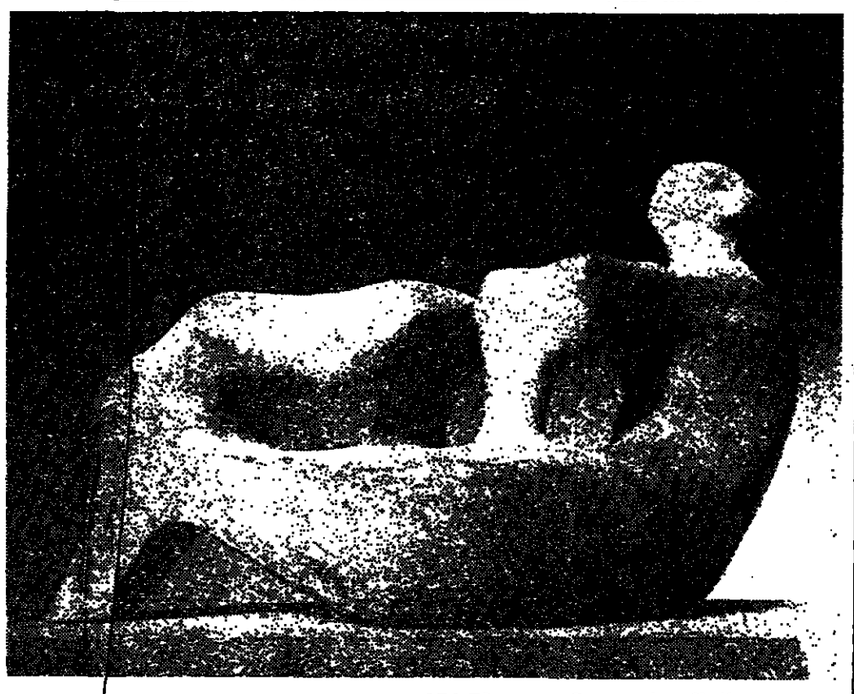
The art world tends to be somewhat rigidly compartmented, with deals specializing in, say, Dutch seventeenth-century painters or the nineteenth century or "old masters", meaning anything before about 1800. One who refuses to limit himself in this way is Roy Miles, a dealer whose flair and enterprise have earned him the respect of critics and buyers alike, and who each year, as a change from handling old masters, both English and European, holds an exhibition of Victorian painting. This year, under the title *The Victorian Ideal*, some 50 works are now on show in his sumptuous galleries until July 28, including a selection of works by European nineteenth-century artists.

In his Preface to the catalogue (which is a vast improvement on his previous rather flimsy effort even though only 25 pictures are fully catalogued) Mr Miles identifies the Victorian ideal as "essentially classical", which is not really true, since the prevailing ethos was much more domestic, as embodied in the fundamentally middle-class respectability of the Royal Family. An ambitious classical composition like Thomas Ralph Spence's *The Song of Phemius and the Sorrow of Penelope* is basically a tribute to wifely virtue, and in John William Godward's *Under the Blossom that Hangs on the Bough* the classical setting, although meticulously rendered in the approved Alma-Tadema manner, is hardly essential to the subject-matter, a conventionally pretty young woman doing nothing in particular. Dante Gabriel Rossetti's version of *Penelope*, a monumental single-figure composition in red chalk, monogrammed and dated 1869, is classical in its simplicity rather than from the use of archeological trappings, and in both pose and feeling it is surprisingly close to Lord Leighton's *Memories*.

The giving of descriptive titles to portraits was almost *de rigueur* at the period. Sir John Pender's two hard-faced, overdressed little daughters becoming *Leisure Hours*, while John Atkinson Grimshaw's elegant wife, Frances Theodosia, in the morning room of their house, Knostrop Old Hall, near Leeds, acquires seasonal implications as *Summer*. The ravishingly painted detail in what the catalogue justifiably claims "could be regarded as Atkinson Grimshaw's chef d'oeuvre" makes this one of the most interesting as well as attractive works in the exhibition, decidedly more successful for instance than William Henry Fisk's *The Secret* (1858), in which the amazing wealth of minutely rendered detail is almost too much.

If domesticity was one Victorian ideal, morality was another, as exemplified by *The Awakened Conscience* by Richard Redgrave, signed and dated 1849 and exhibiting what *The Art Journal* describes as "an excellent moral lesson", although the writer is not sure whether the young man's revulsion is from drink or attempted suicide. In fact the work seems to drive iconographically from the *Choice of Hercules*, depicting the renunciation of a life of worldly pleasures for one of, in this case, Christian virtue, as represented by the kneeling angel in the foreground and the church belltower in the distance.

Jeffery Daniels



Henry Moore: Reclining Figure; Holes. 1976-78, at the Serpentine Gallery

Moore to enjoy

Paddy Kitchen

The women in the Serpentine Gallery arched other spectators touring the Moore sculptures as they then asked the attendant if this were allowed. "Usually they have notices saying 'please do not touch'", she added. "Yes, but we don't", replied the attendant. "He wants you to enjoy them."

There was no question as to who "he" was. It was Moore himself who hoped that people would touch the material he had shaped out of his observation, experience and involuntary need. The woman reached out and stroked the rosa aurora marble of *Mother and Child* 1967. Outside in the park two absorbed little girls nestled in *Large Spindle Piece* 1974, while a group of boys took it in turns to slide down the prone erotic shapes of *Hill Arches* 1973. In all the debate about art and the people, there is no question that very big, and very various, audiences will be drawn to the exhibitions arranged to celebrate Henry Moore's eightieth birthday.

At Dane Tare, the 36 sculptures recently donated by the artist, together with those already owned by the gallery, make a handsome national collection for perpetuity. And the late exhibition of drawings and sketches, previously seen in Toronto and Japan, provides an extensive opportunity to study the more intimate, intuitive side of Moore's work. It ranges from his earliest surviving life drawings (1921) to a drawing made last year in his own hands, and provides a unique opportunity to study in detail the consistency of his themes together with the variety of their development.

"Female figure or bust of Fecundity with large breasts" reads a note jotted down above sketches of women feeding babies in a notebook kept when Moore was a first-year student at the Royal College of Art. A year later he was to make studies based on Rubens's *Venus Frigida*, finding the painter's "heavy weighty figures" and "compact poses" to be "an obvious subject for sculpture". Fifty years on, and many metamorphoses later, the great female shoulder, back, buttock and haunch reappears at the Serpentine in the black marble of *Reclining Figure Curved* 1977, while the abstract rosa aurora *Mother and Child* suggests Fecundity at a primitive condensed level, of a more powerful nature than in some earlier works.

This consistency in Moore's work, which reflects an apparent consistency in his life, is one of the things that attracts people. It isn't born of playing safe, but of knowing who you are and what is important. It is something to do with responsibility, and with having the ability to allow all sides of the personality to develop. Sometimes such soundness can border on the phlegmatic. Not all the work ends up by conveying the intended life-energy, and Moore has, I believe—like many modern sculptors—suffered through the addiction of planners to plonking pieces of sculpture by pedestrian new buildings apparently vainly expecting thus to ameliorate any aesthetic lack in the architecture.

Some of his less exciting work links in my mind to the famous drawing *Crowd Looking at a Tied-up Object* 1942—a theme which first surfaced in 1938 when Moore did a sheet of *Pictorial Ideas and Settings for Sculpture*, one of which was a horde of people gathered round a vast, parcelled object on a plinth. The link occurs through the fact that some of the bronzes do not always seem to meet Moore's own desire to convey "a sense that the form is pressing from inside trying to burst" but rather look like huge shapes parcelled in bronze—the metal wrapping seeming effectively to quell any inner force into quiescence. What, in some moods, one can miss from Moore, is the twentieth century's familiarity with scepticism (be it tragic or ironic), epitomized in Giacometti's statement: "The days pass, while I fool myself I trap, hold back, what's fleeting."

But any coolness I have experienced in relation to some of Moore's works over the years evaporated in front of the unfinished elm wood carving at the Serpentine, *Reclining Figure: Holes* 1976-78. I did not see one person walk by without touching it, and a young man almost embracing it reminded me of Yeats's

When my arms wrap you
round I press
My heart upon the loveliness
That has long faded from the
world . . .

It is gratifying to imagine that once the exhibition is closed, and the birthday celebrations are over, that such a beautiful work—totally exemplifying Moore's desire for sculpture that gives off strength from inside rather than just seeming to be shaped from the outside—might partially preoccupy his eighty-first winter.

Electric Phoenix
St Bartholomew's

Paul Griffiths

Thirty years have now passed since the dawning of electronic music, yet still audiences in this country have few opportunities to acquaint themselves with the new medium. The arrival of Electric Phoenix, a group of four versatile vocalists using electronics, may help to change matters, and to fill a gap which has been acute since our two leading live-electronic ensembles, Intermodulation and the Gentle Fire, pulled out the plugs a couple of years ago. But first they have to find themselves a repertory.

Seeing their concert on Monday included the first performances of three works written specially for them, one may judge that they recognized the difficulty. Unfortunately however, they have come no more than half a step towards its solution.

John Rushby-Smith's *Lifespan* offered the two sopranos a slight sketch of human life from the cradle to the grave, all echoing little vocalises, while Morris Pert's *The Ultimate Decay* was, by contrast, filled with strong material but quite lacking in shape. This was a pity, for some of its ideas, boldly conceived for voices, percussion and synthesized sounds, gave a poignant picture of the universe's slow decline into dissipated energy, if only on the level of aural science fiction.

Both these illustrative soundscapes were outstripped in invention by Barry Guy's *Hold Hands and Sing*, a half-hour piece of music-theatre set in a Dada limbo reminiscent of Robert Wilson's theatrical enterprises. The disquieting repetitive gestures, the lifeless clowning and the bewildering nonsense made this a striking experience for all its intended drabness, with the image of the pulse, heard and almost felt, to stand for senseless but unstoppable activity. With some tidying up, perhaps bringing the electronic resources to fuller effect, this may well be a piece to suit Electric Phoenix's adventurous style.

As it was, the group showed themselves off, in Stockhausen's *Expo*, though they could produce a better version if they behaved more as an ensemble and left out some of the pranks. Those have their rightful place in Cage's *Aria*, of which Linda Hirst gave a party-piece performance, abounding in the theatrical flair which distinguishes the quartet as a whole.

26 Efforts at Pornography
Astoria

Ned Chaillet

Fringe theatre has always appeared in the most unlikely places, but a bar in a commercial West End theatre is getting very close to respectability. The Astoria Lunchtime Theatre Club is in the same building as the musical success *Elvis*. It offers the same sort of showcase for actors, directors and, sometimes, new writers as most lunchtime theatres, and despite the lavish location it seems to operate on the same sort of bare subsistence as many fringe companies.

26 Efforts at Pornography is not a new play, and the writer, Carey Harrison, is not widely known; it is a nicely written, gently humorous piece that deserves its new production by John Baliol. William Lawton, a boy called in for his half-term report, listens to his form master waffle on, not unpleasantly, about comments from various teachers, and receives a mild rebuke for a vituperative letter he wrote to the publishers of a Latin dictionary. The form master, Sullivan, lets his good nature lull the boy into security before he brings up a more painful subject: a wallet belonging to the boy that was found to contain "26 efforts at pornography". The rebuke is not only for the subject matter, but for Lawton's "rather inaccurate view of these things . . . anatomically".

Peter Roberts boyishly captures Lawton's uncomfortable feelings and conveys the hopelessness of response to his nearly deaf form master, but the play is the teacher's, and until the regular pedantic qualifications and embarrassed shifts of subjects led Tony Steedman astray in the text, his warm characterization seemed completely real.

Mr Harrison presents an unusually affectionate picture of public-school life. The school-masterly gruffness of Sullivan is only a gesture to the proper form, and his final message seems to be, "Don't Pussyfoot", a fair enough encouragement to offer.

It is an encouragement I would like to offer Mr Baliol for the rest of his lunchtime season. The selection of plays at the Astoria has been more respectable than adventurous thus far. The West End could use more adventure.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

Chelsea Opera Group
Festival Hall

Barry Millington

Berlioz's scheme for a stage adaptation of his *Damnation of Faust* to be given at the English Grand Opera never materialized. We do not have to mourn that unfulfilled ambition, for the *Damnation*, with its dazzling changes of scene and pace, is undoubtedly best seen in the imagination and heard as Berlioz originally intended it: as an *opéra de concert*.

Monday's presentation by the Chelsea Opera Group under John Matheson was indeed a concert performance, and in its wide range of musical accomplishment reflected something of the ruggedness of Berlioz's setting. The orchestral playing was often surprisingly slack in rhythm, and imprecise in ensemble; Mr Matheson must take much of the blame for failing to coordinate his forces.

Some of the choral work too was more notable for its enthusiasm than its accuracy, particularly near the beginning and at the end in the Apotheosis. (Possibly that part of the audience which tried to deny Marguerite her redemption knew what it was doing, after all.) But there were also good things, such as the chorus of soldiers and students which riotously ended part two, and that of Marguerite's mother's neighbours, who brought part three to a no less noisy and exciting conclusion.

As Faust, William Johns, who began with insufficient flexibility to his vigorous singing, progressed throughout the evening to give a moving account of his aria in Marguerite's room, and an Invocation of truly elemental force. Geoffrey Chard as Mephistopheles was not quite able to match the nonchalance of his quasi-stage gestures in his vocal line, but Elizabeth Connell compensated with a memorable interpretation of Marguerite's role. A brief but effective contribution was also made by John Tomlinson as Brander.

Nureyev/Dutch National Ballet
Coliseum

John Percival

The Nureyev season at the Coliseum is into its last week, with the Dutch National Ballet taking over from Festival Ballet. The programme comprises five short works and paradoxically it is the most classical as well as the most modern of the season.

Classical is not quite the first word that comes to mind when watching *About a Dark House*, Rudi van Dantzig's latest creation. Monday's audience became fidgety during its slow beginning and broke out into an epidemic of coughing apparently as a reaction to Roman Haubenstock-Ramati's harsh musical tape. But for all its Kafkaesque mood and modern setting, the ballet is built on classical technique and classic lines.

Like his other roles during the evening, it gives Nureyev a lot of dancing to do, but you are much more conscious of the dramatic demands: from a faint unease when he finds himself confronted with the stiff formality of the party guests, through a nightmare fantasy about their hostility, into a pathetic retreat back through the door after they have walked unseeing over his recumbent body.

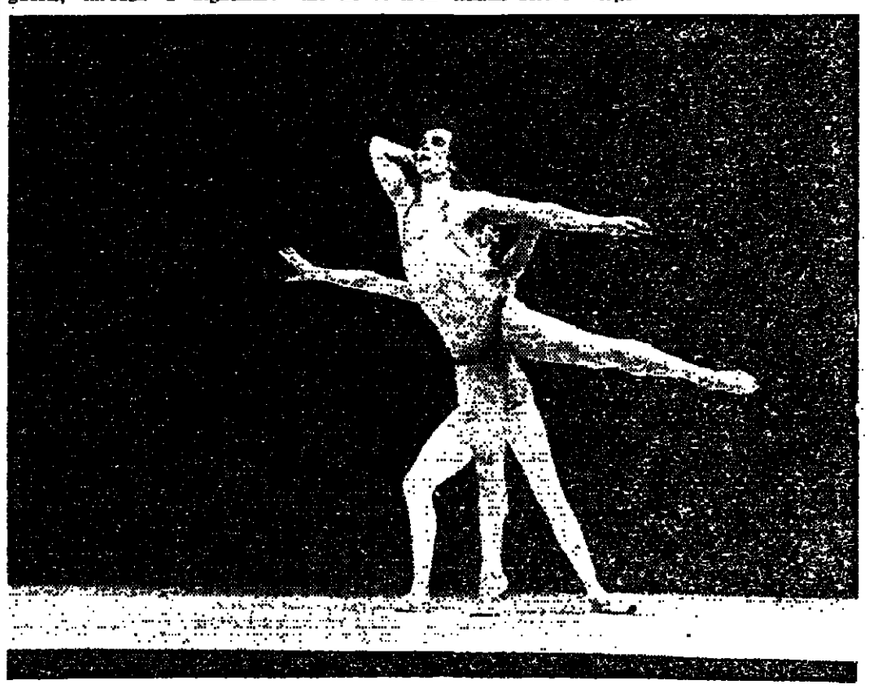
He won over this restless audience with the growing intensity of the ballet's emotions, just as he had earlier amused them in the other new work, Toer van Schayk's *Faun*. That was an easier task, because the parodistic allusions of the choreography won quick recognition. But Nureyev as the faun in a factory, with Maria Aradi and Alexandra Radius as his lunchbreak nymphs, kept the mood equally light and telling right through their dallyings.

I wrote about both these new works from Amsterdam three months ago. Seeing them again, I enjoyed them the more for the way this programme is arranged, with a group of strictly classical works first. One of them is Nureyev's signature dance, the showpiece duet from *The Corsair*, given this time with Maria Aradi, whom I have never seen so well suited by a bravura piece.

Nureyev's heroic way with the solos continues to astonish, and even if his *grands jetés* no longer soar quite as high as once they did, he still has the gift of seeming to hang in the air at their climax before descending. This piece of pure virtuoso dancing remains unchallenged by any of our younger dancers.

By dancing *Four Schumann Pieces* in London, Nureyev was himself taking on a challenge, since the role was created at Covent Garden for Anthony Dowell. But the Royal Ballet performs some of its creations so rarely that I suppose by now Nureyev must have danced it more often than Dowell. He shows how well Hans van Manen's choreography, built on one body and temperament, responds to completely different gifts and personality, provided that the quality remains of the highest level.

Nureyev finds his own gravity in the quiet passages, his own inner strength in the strangely troubled, passionate andante with Alexandra Radius, Sonja Marchiolli and Henny Jurriëns, his own gaiety in the fast, skipping and changing solos of the finale. The rest of the cast match him excellently, and while he is changing costumes from *Corsair* to *Faun* the company's own cast dances another of Van Manen's classics, *Adagio Hammerklavier*. Only the musical accompaniment disappoints, and that not for specific faults but simply by not matching the distinction on stage.



Rudolf Nureyev and Sonja Marchiolli in About a Dark House

SPORT

Golf

Never whisper that Player is fading

By Peter Ryde
Golf Correspondent

Gary Player might call it the power of negative thinking and he would probably be right. Every year, when the time comes round to sift the evidence before a British Open championship, it is easier to find reasons why a player should not win the championship than why he should.

Thus, in the case of Player himself, it is much easier to say that the magic that enabled him to win three American tournaments in a row this year, including a leading title, will not strike again for a man of 42. One might add that his relations with the Old course at St Andrews have not been a love affair, and that a month ago, in the final round of the United States Open, he played exhausted golf.

All that is true but what is also true, and who will say that it is not more relevant, that, at a time in his life when it was being whispered that he was in a decline, he has come back looking superbly fit and playing better than for years. He has the resilience of mind to know that his feelings for the Old course can change.

He has an added incentive in that he could close the gap between him and Nicklaus to four championships. It is common still to hear people talking about Nicklaus's 16 titles but, if the total of Player's victories ever rose to 14, the two amateur titles which make up Nicklaus's total, and for which Player was not even eligible to compete, would vanish into thin air.

Nicklaus must be as well aware of that as anyone and he has always shown an ability to react to a stimulus. Indeed, after 16 years of championship golf, a stimulus of some kind is almost essential to him. Another point in his favour this week is that his enthusiasm for St Andrew's is unconfined. He has described it as almost his favourite place in golf —"a course which still has a challenge, which has nothing phoney about it. I love it. I think its fabulous". It is fabulous and he probably has an advantage over most of the field in thinking so.

My support for him this year is not from force of habit, though it might well be, but derives from those thoughts and from the golf he played in the United States Open. Beween the two championships, his game, according to him, went off but he is more than happy with it at present. When I watched him a Denver, he looked again in a class of his own. Two holes, at which he dropped five strokes, cost him that title and they were lapses of concentration, not of technique.

Again, falling into negative thinking, one becomes aware that Trevino's back, which he said he was feeling after his flight from Chicago, will not improve unless the sun can pierce the cold shroud that has covered St Andrew's for the past two days. Both he and Miller have shown themselves to be on the way up again, Miller pointedly remarking that he found the ladder much tougher to climb than he had done when he first raced up it. Miller finished sixth in the United States Open but, of the two, Trevino has come nearest to restoring his reputation.

They are probably right to have made Watson joint favourite. One should, I think, discount his own first impressions of the course. He has one of the best brains in the business and I cannot believe that he would be slower than anyone else in coming to terms with St Andrew's.



Old favourites on the Old Course: Player (above), accompanied by his son, and Nicklaus, with his caddie, Tip Anderson, during their practice rounds at St Andrews yesterday.



He showed, in the PGA championship last year at Sandwich, how quickly he can adapt to links conditions and, in competitive toughness, only Nicklaus can match him. Last evening, after completing his fourth practice round, he went to his hotel in a far better frame of mind, saying he had switched from negative to positive thinking about the course and finding in it a strategic similarity with the August National.

When my admiration begins to slip, I turn to a chapter on his character that appeared in the book *Golf and the Mind*. It is divided into headings such as "Total understanding" (of the game), "Total respect" (for every department of it), "Discipline" (of the mind) and "Humility" (respect for courses and opponents). The chapter should be learned by heart by aspiring champions. Those qualities cannot remain at tournament pitch for ever and this week may show us whether they can still be made to answer the call.

Some good players tend to get lost in the shadow cast by the brighter stars. No-one would surely say that Wadkins, Bean or Kratzert could not conceivably win. Wadkins provides the best evidence that players can return from the wilderness to the top and, as such, should be an inspiration to Miller and Trevino. But he has been quiet this season since winning last year's PGA championship, which would explain why he has attracted little attention. Kratzert lies ninth in the order of merit.

Bean, who on the strength of his three victories in the past month, leads the order of merit, is a gentle giant. One of the longest drivers on the tour, he hits it straighter than most and looks to have a strong temperament. The news of Ballesteros is that his morale is at a low ebb: A friend said of him that, in the mood of the moment, he has no appetite for the tournaments that lie ahead and wants only to return home until he can regain form. But he has a mercurial temperament and a 70 today would change all that.

It becomes no easier to write of the British entry after looking at last year's results when Horton was the only player in the first 12 who was not American. But rumour has it that he is in determined mood and, if so, he might show up well, as he has done before in this event. Four Japanese in the field, one of them an amateur, is a sign of the times. Four Italians in the final line-up also is noteworthy.

For those who attach importance to practice round scores, it should be noted that, in the evening, Bean went round in 64 and Ballesteros in 66. Bean's score was corroborated by Marsh, who accompanied him and said: "He scored nine birdies and dropped one shot."

Leading contenders in Open championship

Tom Watson (US): Latest odds 6-1. Aged 28, Reigning champion. Seeks third successive Scottish success after victories at Carnoustie (1975) and Turnberry last year. First visit to St Andrews. Headed United States money-winners in 1977 with more than $300,000. Has won three tournaments this year.

Jack Nicklaus (US): 6-1. Aged 38. Runner-up to Watson 12 months ago in thrilling finish at Turnberry. Also seeking third Open success in Scotland, having won at Muirfield (1966) and St Andrews (1970). Has won 16 important world titles, more than any other player. Twice a winner this year.

Hubert Green (US): 14-1. Aged 31. The 1977 US Open champion. Third last year. Two tournament wins this year. Achieved career earnings of over $1m when winning in March.

Lee Trevino (US): 14-1. Aged 38. Twice winner of the title in 1971 and 1972. Back to his best after removal of spinal disc in 1976. Lost play-off to Lee Elder in Milwaukee tournament on Sunday and arrived in Scotland only on Monday. Quickest $1m winner in golf history.

Severiano Ballesteros (Spain): 16-1. Aged 21. Top of the European Order of Merit for the past two years. Led 1976 Open at Birkdale for three rounds but finished runner-up to John Miller. Has won tournaments all over the world including America.

Gary Player (SA): 16-1. Aged 41. Won US Masters tournament in April, followed quickly by successes in two other tournaments. Has three British Open titles to his credit as well as three US Masters, two US PGA and one US Open.

Tom Weiskopf (US): 16-1. Aged 35. British Open champion in 1973. Another player who has earned more than $1m. Winner of the Doral Eastern tournament this year.

Hale Irwin (US): 20-1. Age 33. Had his best season in United States last year with three wins. No victories this year, but has had nine top ten finishes. Winner of the 1974 and 1975 world match play championships at Wentworth.

John Miller (US): 20-1. Age 31. US Open champion in 1973. British Open title winner in 1976. Slumped last year to forty eighth in United States merit list, but finished joint sixth in the US Open.

Ben Crenshaw (US): 25-1. Age 26. "Gentle Ben" won on his first appearance on United States tour in 1973. He won the Carrolls Irish Open title in 1976. No victories so far this year.

Ray Floyd (US): 25-1. Age 35. Winner of two big championships, the US PGA in 1969 and US Masters in 1976. Having a poor year on American tour after finishing seventh in the money list last year.

Andy Bean (US): 25-1. Age 25. A winner only once up to this year, but won three tournaments in a month. First appearance in Britain, a big man, 6ft 4in tall and weighing 14st.

Nicholas Faldo (GB): 33-1. Age 20. In the third season on European circuit. First big win recently in PGA championship at Birkdale. Unbeaten in Ryder Cup match against United States last year including win over Tom Watson.

Brian Barnes (GB): 40-1. Age 33. Won Spanish Open and Greater Manchester Open this season. Ryder Cup player since 1969. Famous for beating Jack Nicklaus twice in one day at Laurel Valley in 1975.

Peter Oosterhuis (GB): 40-1. Age 30. Plays almost all his golf in America. Missed Open last year to secure place in the top 60 in the United States. Was runner-up in 1974 Open.

Tony Jacklin (GB): 50-1. Age 34. Playing full-time in Europe again after campaigning in America. Won 1969 Open at Lytham and US Open 11 months later. Disappointing season so far.

Mark James (GB): 50-1. Age 24. Gained first European tournament victory winning European match play championship at Dalmahoy 10 days ago, had record last round of 66 in the 1976 Open at Birkdale.

Reid gets his chance

Bill Reid, the 22-year-old former British youth champion, yesterday received an unexpected call to play in the Open. Reid deputises for the South African World Cup player, Bobby Cole, who injured a wrist during practice and has had to pull out. Reid was the first substitute after being beaten in a sudden death play off in the qualifying rounds at Ladybank on Saturday.

Previous winners at St Andrews

The previous Open championship winners at St Andrews were:

Year	Winner	Score	Entries
1873	T. Kidd (St And)	179	26
1876	R. Martin (St And)	176	34
1879	J. Anderson (St And)	169	46
1882	R. Ferguson (M'burgh)	171	43
1885	R. Martin (St And)	171	51
1888	J. Burns (W'wick)	171	53
1891	H. Kirkaldy (St And)	166	82
1895	J. Taylor (W'chesler)	322	72
1900	J. Taylor (M-Surrey)	309	81
1905	J. Braid (W Heath)	318	152
1910	J. Braid (W Heath)	299	210
1921	J. Hutchinson (US)	296	158
1927	R. T. Jones (US)	285	207
1933	D. Shute (US)	292	287
1939	R. Burton (Sale)	290	254
1946	S. Snead (US)	290	225
1955	P. Thomson (Aus)	281	301
1957	A. D. Locke (SA)	279	282
1960	K. Nagle (Aus)	278	410
1964	A. Lema (US)	279	327
1970	J. Nicklaus (US)	283	468

Card of course

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	370	4	10	342	4
2	411	4	11	172	3
3	371	4	12	316	4
4	463	4	13	425	4
5	564	5	14	567	5
6	416	4	15	413	4
7	372	4	16	382	4
8	178	3	17	461	4
9	356	4	18	354	4
Out	3,501	36	In	3,432	36

Athletics

Ovett misses a record but is happy to win

Steve Ovett was an impressive winner of the Morton Memorial Mile at University College, Dublin, last night, although he failed to break any record with a time of 3min 55.7sec. "I came over here to win a race and that is what I did", the British international said. "I am quite happy with the time."

Ovett held back in a field of 14 until some 200 yards out when he produced the power to pass the pacemakers and complete a 54sec final lap. He was followed home by Steve Scott of the United States, just over a second slower. The hero of the mile as far as the crowd of 7,000 was concerned, however, was Niall O'Shaugnessy who finished third in 3min 57.8sec, beating Rod Dixon of New Zealand, into fourth place.

100 METRES: 1. J. Sanford (US), 10.43sec; 2. J. Gilkes (Guyana), 10.63; 3. D. Quarrie (Jamaica), 10.65. 200 METRES: 1. J. Gilkes (Guyana), 20.8sec; 2. J. Sandiford (US), 21.23; 3. D. O'Flaherty (Pearse), 22.25. 800 METRES: 1. T. McLean (US), 1min 47.8sec; 2. M. Belger (US), 1:48.7; 3. J. Hunter (Leevale), 1:50.4. MILE: 1. S. Ovett (GB), 3min 55.7sec; 2. S. Scott (US), 3:57.3; 3. N. O'Shaughnessy (Ireland), 3:57.8; 4. R. Dixon (NZ), 3:58.1; 5. G. Jones (US), 3:58.1; 6. K. Hault (Australia), 3:59.3.

5,000 metres: 1. Cochlan (Donore Harriers), 13min 26.6sec (Irish record); 2. M. McLeod (GB), 13min 27.8s; 3. D. Black (GB), 13m 34.1s. Discus: 1. W. Martin (Australia), 55 metres; 2. G. Capes (GB), 50.44; 3. G. McEvoy (Dublin City), 46.18. Hammer: 1. S. Egan (Kildare), 64.78 metres; 2. J. Whitehead (GB), 64.76; 3. D. Hegarty (Civil Service), 59.14.

Three categories make it difficult for selectors

By Cliff Temple

The game of athletic chess, which breaks out whenever there is an important selection near, continues this week at the approach of the United Kingdom closed championships, to be held in Edinburgh from Friday to Sunday.

In theory, it is simple. The athletes compete, the selectors select, and by Sunday night the British team for the European championships in Prague should be virtually complete. But it will not be quite as straightforward as that. The complications caused by the dual United Kingdom interest in the Commonwealth Games and the European championships means that we have three categories of athletes: those who have already reached a high level of performance to qualify for Edmonton, and are sitting back for Prague selection on that; those who missed out on the Edmonton teams and are now determined not to fail a second time; and those who intend to peak late for the Games.

The unenviable task of the selectors is to judge all of these three categories together, while knowing that it would be practically impossible to persuade all concerned to step on to the track together. Also, events at the Commonwealth Games could still backfire on any irrevocable decisions. Entries for Prague do not close until the Edmonton events have finished, however, and thus I expect there to be certain gaps in the European championship team when it is announced next Wednesday (July 19), largely influenced by which athletes do or do not appear in Edinburgh.

In the 1,500 metres, for instance, David Moorcroft may decide that his wins in the AAA championships last month and the Gateshead mile on Sunday should be enough to demonstrate his fitness, and prefer to spend the weekend on hard training. Steven Ovett should he an automatic choice. But that would leave only one available place for athletes like the new British mile record holder, Frank Clement, the Emsley Carr winner, John Robson, Graham Williamson, Timothy Hutchings, and anyone else thrown into contention next weekend. If everyone ran, it would solve the problem. But will they?

Nicholas Rose misses the 5,000 metres, being content to let the season's results speak for themselves, which will be a disappointment to Brendan Foster, who would really like to round off his Edmonton preparation with a fast race at the distance, following his 10,000 metres European record and two under four-minute miles.

Making his own pace, as he might have to, could be a difficult and unrewarding task for Foster in Meadowbank's notorious wind.

Rifle shooting

Roades best shot for second successive year

The deputy director of the Imperial War Museum, Christopher Roades, of Trumpington, Cambridge, triumphed in Bisley's greatest test of precision shooting yesterday for the second year in succession.

He won the rifle championship for the Hopton Cup, shooting at the longest ranges of 900 to 1,200 yards in seven separate events.

BISLEY: Match rifles: Armourers (1,200 yd): C. H. Rhodes 83, M. Davis 83, D. J. Goodall 85. Hopton (aggregate): C. H. Rhodes 410, A. Campbell-Smith 404, A. B. Brown 401. Service rifle: Stephens (Snvd, 10 shots in 50sec): Capt W. V. Holmes (1 Duke of Edinburgh's Royal Regt), 49 (1 ie 42); Rfn G. H. Bhum Bahadur (2 3 GR), 49 (1 ie 37). Standing (10 shots at 5 sec intervals): Rfn S. B. Gurung (6 GR), 50. Sitting (10 shots at 5sec intervals at targets appearing in several places): L/A M. W. O. White (Canadian Forces), 50 (1 ie 45). Wantage (snap): Sgt P. A. Moss (RAF), 50.

Widnes play Hornets

Widnes, the champions, meet newly promoted Rochdale Hornets on the opening weekend of the Rugby League championship season. Programme:

September 1: First division: Salford v Featherstone Rovers. September 3: First division: Bradford Northern v Barrow, Huddersfield v St Helens, Hull Kingston Rovers v Warrington, Leigh v Wigan, Wakefield Trinity v Castleford, Widnes v Rochdale Hornets, Workington Town v Leeds. Second division: Batley v Huyton, Blackpool Borough v Swinton, Bromley v Hull, Doncaster v Dewsbury, Halifax v Whitehaven, Oldham v Keighley, York v New Hunslet. Opening rounds of Lancashire and Yorkshire Cups on August 19-20.

Cricket

Bairstow catches up with the opposition

By Richard Streeton

BRADFORD: Yorkshire (18 pts) beat Warwickshire (4) by 63 runs.

Only 3.1 overs remained when Yorkshire won this match and made sure they continued to hover with intent among the higher reaches of the championship table. Warwickshire's hopes of winning evaporated only as the final 20 overs began: right to the end the draw was still possible. The bald facts indicate the excitement and tension always present.

Warwickshire, resuming at 18 without loss, needed a further 310 to win. Tentative step by tentative step for a long time they looked like getting there. An astonishing piece of reflex thinking by Bairstow finally robbed them of winning ambition. The score was 232 for five just before 5 o'clock when Humpage turned Carrick to mid wicket. Bairstow, throwing off his glove, chased the ball and though off balance, threw down the wicket at the bowler's end with Humpage run out.

From this stage onwards Warwickshire concentrated on saving the match. By the time victory came Bairstow had held six catches, equalling for the second time the Yorkshire record for a wicketkeeper. His competitiveness and efficiency had played a crucial part in circumstances that for ages had seemed to be conspiring against Yorkshire. Boycott's challenging declaration on Monday evening had been debated with increasing aggressiveness among the crowd as suspicion arose that the Yorkshire bowling would not be good enough to dismiss their opponents.

Stalemate remained the most likely outcome eve nduring the closing hour, bringing a reminder that in cricket the inconclusive result on many occasions an galvanize more headiness among onlookrs than a clear-cut result. Warwickshire were never going to be allowed to make 86 from the last 20 overs but when Hemmings in quick succession was missed from difficult chances to mid-off and first slip it seemed the gods of chance were favouring Warwickshire.

Yorkshire did not take the new ball immediately it was due and Brown was bowled by Carrick from a sharply turning bal with 13 overs left. Old came back at 258 for seven before the new ball was taken with 10 overs remaining. Oldham at the other end, however, struck the first blow as Perryman fended off a bouncer and the catch was clutched by Bairstow in front of first slip. Willis defended soundly for three overs before Old finished the game with two wickets in three balls, both falling to catches behind the wicket. Hemmings, who had battled for 85 minutes, played forward fatally and Flower never saw a ball that left him.

In the morning Yorkshire had bowled adequately without a lot of luck; in the later part of the afternoon their spin bowling lacked line and accuracy. The clock was seldom a factor for either side but by punishing the regular loose ball Warwickshire kept themselves in the hunt.

YORKSHIRE: 227 (J. H. Hampshire 132; E. E. Hemmings 4 for 51) and 185 for 5 dec (R. G. Lumb 73, G. Boycott 55).

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings, 85 (C. M. Old 6 for 31).

Second Innings

D. L. Amiss, c Bairstow, b Oldham .. 43
K. D. Smith, c Lumb, b Cooper .. 12
R. N. Abberley, c sub, b Carrick .. 81
A. I. Kallicharran, c Bairstow, b Old .. 48
*J. Whitehouse, c Bairstow, b Cooper .. 12
†G. W. Humpage, run out .. 30
E. E. Hemmings, c Bairstow, b Old .. 23
D. J. Brown, b Carrick .. 3
S. P. Perryman, c Bairstow, b Oldham .. 1
R. G. D. Willis, not out .. 1
R. Flower, c Bairstow, b Old .. 0
Extras (b 1, l-b 5, n-b 12) .. 18
Total .. 264

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—55, 2—?, 3—163, 4—204, 5—232, 6—234, 7—254, 8—264, 9—261, 10—264.

BOWLING: Old, 28.5—8—58—3; Oldham, 16—5—43—2; Cooper, 13—6—37—2; Carrick, 35—14—71—2; Cope, 18—6—41—0.

Umpires: R. Aspinall and T. G. Wilson.

Middlesex preserve the evidence of their startling collapse

By Norman de Mesquita

LORD'S: The New Zealanders beat Middlesex by an innings and 10 runs.

If Monday was mundane, yesterday more than made up for it. We had more action and interest in 140 minutes yesterday than we had in six hours on the previous day. The end product was the touring side's second win, thanks to a spectacular Middlesex collapse. They lost eight wickets for the addition of 21 runs in only 40 minutes and it was all over before lunch.

The proceedings ended with the players heading for the pavilion and the umpires hurrying in the opposite direction with instructions to the ground staff not to sweep or water the pitch, an indication that they did not think too highly of it, and that the evidence should remain untouched until seen by the inspector of pitches.

The Middlesex batsmen would endorse any such assessment and most of them could justifiably claim that the conditions brought about their downfall. Four of the five catches that came the way of the wicketkeeper, Edwards, were off the glove, and the ball which had Radley leg-before kept extremely low.

The opening overs of the Middlesex second innings gave no hint of what was to come, although there was plenty of playing and missing in a fiery spell by Hadlee. He, perhaps, bowled too fast, and it was the medium pace of Cairns and the slow left arm of Boock which did the damage, with the help of the pitch of course.

It is not the first time this season that Middlesex have been embarrassed by the condition of their home pitch, and it is difficult to know what the answer is. On a table that is the width of about 12 pitches, Lord's have to stage 40 matches, and that is far too much cricket for such a small table. But there used to be even more cricket at Lord's and the deterioration of the conditions is a fairly recent phenomenon.

The Middlesex and England captain, who, sensibly, did not bat yesterday, is concerned that a succession of such pitches undermines the confidence of young players—Tomlins, for instance, who recently scored 94 at Worcester, and 42 at Canterbury, and about whom some complimentary things have been said. At Lord's, he has yet to score more than 10.

The New Zealand captain would not be drawn into and discussion of the conditions, but one must assume that his delight in such an easy win and an opportunity to beat the rush hour traffic out of London was tempered with the thought that his batsmen did not get proper practice in this match. Parker did complete his first 50 of the tour, but it took him nearly two and a half hours. Poor Bracewell had the worst possible introduction to cricket's headquarters, bowled middle stump, first ball.

Only Smith and the extras reached double figures for Middlesex, and the second highest scorer was the last man, Jones, who banged about with gay abandon when it was virtually all over.

Although he did not bat yesterday, Brearley did announce that he would play against Leicestershire today. But, with the permission of his opponents, he will be late. It would appear that the investiture timetable cannot be arranged to suit the cricket fixtures, so if you see a smart young man, resplendent in morning suit, heading for the Lord's pavilion at about midday today, it is the Middlesex captain, hot foot from Buckingham Palace. We must hope that the pitch and his side's batting allow him to get ready for the match at leisure.

The pitch for the Middlesex v Leicestershire county championship match starting at Lord's today may be switched to another part of the square. The change had been contemplated after the controversy over the New Zealand match against Middlesex which finished so abruptly yesterday.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings, (R. J. Hadlee 4 for 37).

Second Innings

N. G. Featherstone, c Edwards, b Boock ..
M. J. Smith, c Edwards, b Cairns ..
C. T. Radley, l-b-w, b Boock ..
G. D. Barlow, c Edwards, b Cairns ..
K. P. Tomlins, c Edwards, b Boock ..
†I. J. Gould, c Edwards, b Cairns ..
M. W. Gatting, b Cairns ..
J. E. Emburey, c Burgess, b Boock ..
M. W. W. Selvey, not out ..
A. A. Jones, b Boock ..
*J. M. Brearley, absent injured ..
Extras (b 5, l-b 6, n-b 12) ..
Total ..

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—77, 2—?, 4—63, 5—66, 6—?, 8—?, 9—83.

BOWLING: Hadlee, 7—3—17; Bracewell, 4—0—11—0; Boock, 9.1—5—9—5; Cairns, 7—3—17—4.

NEW ZEALANDERS: First Innings

R. W. Anderson, l-b-w, b Selvey ..
J. G. Wright, b Featherstone ..
G. P. Howarth, c Selvey, b Gatting ..
B. A. Edgar, l-b-w, b Gatting ..
J. M. Parker, st Gould, b Emburey ..
†G. N. Edwards, l-b-w, b Gatting ..
R. J. Hadlee, c Radley, b Emburey ..
*M. G. Burgess, b Selvey ..
B. L. Cairns, c Tomlins, b Selvey ..
B. P. Bracewell, b Selvey ..
S. C. Boock, not out ..
Extras (b 4, l-b 4, w 1, n-b 12) ..
Total ..

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—70, 2—?, 3—130, 4—131, 5—151, 6—?, 7—224, 8—225, 9—225, 10—?.

BOWLING: Jones, 16—5—35—?; Selvey, 25—6—73—4; Emburey, 22—7—42—2; Featherstone, 9—?—32—1; Gatting, 12—3—20—3.

Umpires: K. E. Palmer and T. Spencer.

Leicestershire home with three balls left

Fire bowling by John Lever enabled Essex to beat Sussex by four wickets at Hove yesterday. Sussex have yet to win a championship match this season. Essex, needing 158, made the runs comfortably enough, although Denness, their opening batsman, and McEwan were out with 17 scored.

Gooch batted responsibly for 50 (seven fours) out of 76 and although Essex were later 99 for five, Phillip and Turner hit boldly, Phillip hitting two sixes in his 34.

Leicester

Leicestershire grafted their way to a splendid victory by four wickets over Gloucestershire. Set a formidable 268 to win in three and three quarter hours Leicestershire hit the winning run with three balls to spare.

A seventh-wicket partnership worth 44 between Illingworth and Roger Tolchard saw them home, but it took a lot of scampering between the wickets by this pair.

Northampton

Despite an excellent 84 by the young England prospect, Larkins, Northamptonshire were held to a draw against Surrey. Northamptonshire, who were set a target of 269 in 115 minutes plus 20 overs, gave up the effort when they reached 189 for four, 80 short with seven overs left.

Somerset's unsure tactics

By Alan Gibson

CARDIFF: Glamorgan (3 pts) drew with Somerset (6).

I could not understand the way either side played this game, on the last day. There had been 14 overs of cricket on Saturday, none at all on Monday. Glamorgan, in absurdly slippery conditions had scored 65 runs in those 14 overs, for no wicket. Yesterday, they lost the lot for a further 61 runs, a total of 126 in 42 overs, before one o'clock.

Botham was the destroyer. The earlier Glamorgan batsmen certainly helped themselves out with foolish strokes, but Botham, from the river end, aided by a pitch that gave a good length ball a lift (he bowled few bouncers), went deservedly through the rest of them, with assistance from Burgess and Dredge.

Now if Glamorgan had wanted to make a match of it, they should have declared straight away. Most of their supporters, a good many there for a third day of a dying game, would have recommended this course. But they did not choose it.

Somerset's batting was not consistent. Rose and Denning, the two bonny fair-haired boys as proper a picture of Somerset cricket as an old engraving of Bicknoller at the wicket, scored 81 in 15 overs for the first wicket. Were Somerset going for batting points or a win? Opinions in the team must have been divided, as became evident when, of the first six wickets to fall, four were run out

GLAMORGAN: First Innings

*A. Jones, b Botham ..
J. A. Hopkins, c and b Burgess ..
R. C. Ontong, c Marks, b Botham ..
G. Richards, c Taylor, b Botham ..
P. D. Swart, b Dredge ..
M. J. Llewellyn, c Richards, b Botham ..
M. A. Nash, c Burgess, b Botham ..
†E. W. Jones, c Taylor, b Dredge ..
B. J. Lloyd, c Roebuck, b Botham ..
A. J. Mack, b Botham ..
A. H. Wilkins, not out ..
Extras (b 1, n-b 7) ..
Total (42.2 overs) ..

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—70, 2—?, 3—87, 4—103, 5—103, 6—?, 7—125, 8—126, 9—126, 10—126.

BOWLING: Botham, 2?—5—51—?; Dredge, 7.2—2—25—2; Burgess, 13—6—32—1.

Second Innings

A. Jones, retired hurt ..
J. A. Hopkins, b Botham ..
R. C. Ontong, l-b-w, b Burgess ..
G. Richards, not out ..
P. D. Swart, not out ..
Extras (w 2, n-b 1) ..
Total (2 wkts) ..

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—16, 2—?

BOWLING: Botham, 11—3—26—?; Dredge, 7—3—17—0; Breakwell, 2—0—18—0; Burgess, 7—4—5—?.

SOMERSET: First Innings

*B. C. Rose, run out ..
P. W. Denning, c Nash, b Wilkins ..
I. V. A. Richards, run out ..
I. T. Botham, run out ..
P. M. Roebuck, c E. Jones, b Swart ..
D. Breakwell, run out ..
G. I. Burgess, c Hopkins, b Ontong ..
V. J. Marks, c Wilkins, b Ontong ..
P. A. Slocombe, not out ..
†D. J. S. Taylor, not out ..
Extras (b 5, l-b 7, n-b 6) ..
Total (8 wkts dec) ..

C. H. Dredge did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—81, 2—?, 3—90, 4—116, 5—117, 6—?, 7—137, 8—184.

BOWLING: Nash, 2—0—?; Mack, 1—0—20—0; Wilkins, 7—?—37—1; Swart, 11—0—78—1; Ontong, 8.1—1—39—3.

Umpires: D. J. Constant and D. Oslear.

Underwood puts Kent well on top

MAIDSTONE: Kent (16 pts) beat Derbyshire (4) by eight wickets.

Kent consolidated their position at the top of the county championship table with an impressive victory. They reached their target of 149 thanks to a good unbroken third wicket stand of 106 in 80 minutes between Rowe (73 not out) and Asif (57 not out).

But the victory was really set up by Underwood. On a wicket which had eased, Underwood maintained his mastery over Derbyshire batsmen, taking six for 38 to give him match figures of 11 for 79.

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings, 176 (G. Miller 62; D. L. Underwood 5 for 41, K. B. S. Jarvis 4 for 59).

Second Innings

A. Hill, c Tavaré, b Underwood .. 4
*E. J. Barlow, c Tavaré, b Underwood .. 21
P. N. Kirsten, b Johnson .. 20
G. Miller, st Downton, b Underwood .. 8
H. Cartwright, b Underwood .. 20
F. W. Swarbrook, l-b-w, b Johnson .. 1
†R. W. Taylor, c Shepherd, b Underwood .. 0
A. J. Mellor, not out .. 5
M. Hendrick, c Johnson, b Underwood .. 13
A. Borrington, absent injured .. 0
C. Tunnicliffe, absent injured .. 0
Extras (l-b 6, n-b 1) .. 7
Total .. 99

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—8, 2—23, 3—59, 4—64, 5—80, 6—80, 7—82, 8—99.

BOWLING: Jarvis, 1—0—1—0; Shepherd, 11—4—26—0; Underwood, 24.1—11—38—6; Johnson, 19—2—27—2.

KENT: First Innings, 127 for 8 dec (A. J. Mellor 5 for 52).

Second Innings

R. A. Woolmer, l-b-w, b Hendrick .. 8
C. J. C. Rowe, not out .. 73
C. J. Tavaré, b Miller .. 10
Asif Iqbal, not out .. 57
Extras (w 1) .. 1
Total (2 wkts) .. 149

*A. G. E. Ealham, G. W. Johnson, J. N. Shepherd, R. W. Hills, †P. R. Downton, D. L. Underwood and K. B. S. Jarvis did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—20, 2—43.

BOWLING: Hendrick, ?—1—31—1; Miller, 11—1—17—1; Mellor, ?—?—17—0; Barlow, 5—0—11—0; Kirsten, 2—0—?—0; Swarbrook, 5—1—18—0; Hill, 2—0—14—0.

Umpires: W. L. Budd and C. Cook.

Greig leaving Sussex

Tony Greig, a former England captain, is leaving county cricket immediately. Sussex announced last night that they had acceded to a request from him to be released forthwith from the remainder of his contract which was due to expire in September of this year.

Greig had been widely criticized in many quarters since his activities as a recruiting agent for Kerry Packer became public knowledge. He started this season under suspension because of a newspaper article about Geoffrey Boycott.

Minor counties

JESMOND: Lancashire II, 204 and 225 for 5 dec (B. Reidy 128 not out); Northumberland, 178 for 9 dec (D. Hughes 5 for 64) and 208 for 9 (M. Youll 72; D. Hughes 4 for 98). Match drawn.

Lancashire v Notts

AT MANCHESTER

Lancashire (19 pts) beat Nottinghamshire (7) by 158 runs.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings, 355 for 7 dec (J. Simmons 106 not out, J. Lyon 74 not out, C. H. Lloyd 66).

Second Innings

A. Kennedy, c Tunnicliffe, b Doshi .. 37
D. Lloyd, c and b White .. 72
*F. C. Hayes, c Tunnicliffe, b Doshi .. 45
C. H. Lloyd, l-b-w, b Cooper .. 50
J. Simmons, c and b White .. 0
J. Abrahams, not out .. 1
Extras (b 2, l-b 1) .. 4
Total (5 wkts dec) .. 213

B. Wood, J. Lyon, R. Arrowsmith, R. Ratcliffe and C. Croft did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—71, 2—136, 3—157, 4—177, 5—18.

BOWLING: Cooper, 6.2—0—27—1; Tunnicliffe, 6—0—15—0; Doshi, 23—3—89—2; Birch, 5—1—18—0; White, 13—3—73—2.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE First Innings

M. J. Harris, c Wood, b Ratcliffe .. 10
P. A. Todd, c Wood, b Arrowsmith .. 85
D. W. Randall, c Simmons, b Arrowsmith .. 7
C. E. B. Rice, c and b Simmons .. 132
J. D. Birch, c Hayes, b Arrowsmith .. 0
*M. J. Smedley, c and b Arrowsmith .. 15
H. T. Tunnicliffe, c Arrowsmith, b Simmons .. 17
R. A. White, not out .. 14
†B. French, not out .. 5
Extras (b 8, l-b 3, n-b 14) .. 25
Total (7 wkts dec, 88? overs) .. 300

K. Cooper and D. R. Doshi did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—26, 2—?, 3—150, 4—206, 5—249, 6—253, 7—292.

BOWLING: Croft, ?—3—16—0; Ratcliffe, 18—4—58—1; Wood, ?—?—?; ?—37—0; Arrowsmith, ?—?—122—?; Simmons, 18.1—?—42—2.

Second Innings

M. J. Harris, l-b-w, b Ratcliffe .. 1
P. A. Todd, c Ratcliffe, b Arrowsmith .. 30
D. W. Randall, l-b-w, b Wood .. 4
C. E. B. Rice, b Wood .. 4
J. D. Birch, b Ratcliffe .. 28
*M. J. Smedley, l-b-w, b Arrowsmith .. 6
H. T. Tunnicliffe, l-b-w, b Ratcliffe .. 7
R. A. White, c Simmons, b Ratcliffe .. 7
B. French, not out .. 21
K. Cooper, l-b-w, b Simmons .. 12
D. R. Doshi, b Simmons .. 0
Extras (b 4, n-b 6) .. 10
Total .. 135

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—?, 2—15, 3—?, 4—51, 5—79, 6—?, 7—97, 8—100, 9—133, 10—135.

BOWLING: Ratcliffe, 16—2—?—?; Wood, 8—2—24—2; Arrowsmith, 13—5—35—2; Simmons, 10—3—?—?.

Umpires: W. E. Alley and J. G. Langridge.

County championship

	P	W	D	L	Bt	Bl	Pts
Kent (1)	12	8	3	1	21	39	165
Essex (6)	11	6	4	1	30	36	138
Somerset (4)	12	6	5	1	27	?	138
Yorkshire (12)	12	5	5	2	34	34	128
Notts (17)	11	5	4	2	24	27	107
Middlesex (1)	12	3	5	4	25	33	102
Leicester (5)	11	5	5	1	16	28	101
Gloucester (3)	11	3	7	1	25	38	98
Lancashire (16)	11	3	5	3	16	34	88
Warwicks (10)	11	3	5	3	16	28	83
Surrey (14)	11	2	5	4	15	38	77
Hampshire (11)	11	2	5	4	20	31	75
Derbyshire (7)	12	2	4	6	11	35	73
Northants (9)	12	1	7	4	20	33	69
Glamorgan (14)	11	1	8	2	20	28	61
Worcester (15)	11	1	8	3	23	22	57
Sussex (8)	11	0	6	5	22	30	52

1977 positions in brackets.

Today's cricket

BIRMINGHAM: Warwickshire v New Zealanders (11.30 to 7.0).

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

ILKESTON: Derbyshire v Northamptonshire (11.0 to 6.30).
COLCHESTER: Essex v Somerset (11.0 to 6.30).
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Lancashire (11.30 to 7.0).
PORTSMOUTH: Hampshire v Sussex (11.0 to 6.30).
MAIDSTONE: Kent v Glamorgan (11.0 to 6.30).
LORD'S: Middlesex v Leicestershire (11.0 to 6.30).
NEWARK: Nottinghamshire v Worcestershire (11.30 to 7.0).
THE OVAL: Surrey v Yorkshire (11.0 to 6.30).

SECOND XI COMPETITION

DERBY: Derbyshire II v Worcestershire II.
CHEPSTOW: Glamorgan II v Gloucestershire II.
DOVER: Kent II v Hampshire II.
BAC BYFLEET: Surrey II v Nottinghamshire II.
HOVE: Sussex II v Middlesex II.
LEEDS: Yorkshire II v Warwickshire II.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP

TAUNTON: Somerset II v Wiltshire II.

Leicestershire v Glos

AT LEICESTER

Leicestershire (17 pts) beat Gloucestershire (7) by 4 wickets.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings, 267 for 9 dec (M. J. Procter 89, Sadiq Mohammad 60, D. A. Graveney 60; J. F. Steele 5 for 54).

Second Innings

Sadiq Mohammad, b Balderstone .. 50
A. W. Stovold, l-b-w, b Illingworth .. 25
Zaheer Abbas, c Higgs, b Balderstone .. 59
A. J. Hignell, c Higgs, b Birkenshaw .. 3
*M. J. Procter, c Davison, b Steele .. 35
J. C. Foat, hit wkt, b Birkenshaw .. 3
D. A. Graveney, c Birkenshaw, b Balderstone .. 23
†A. J. Brassington, c Steele, b Balderstone .. 4
B. M. Brain, not out .. 2
Extras (l-b 3, n-b 1) .. 4
Total (8 wkts dec) .. 187

J. Davey and J. H. Childs did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—40, 2—118, 3—121, 4—121, 5—126, 6—160, 7—181, 8—187.

BOWLING: Higgs, 4—1—22—0; Shuttleworth, 13—2—36—0; Birkenshaw, 20—2—53—2; Steele, 5—1—12—1; Illingworth, 17—9—29—1; Balderstone, 10.5—1—32—4.

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings, 187 (J. F. Steele 79; J. H. Childs 6 for 64).

Second Innings

N. E. Briers, l-b-w, b Procter .. 13
J. F. Steele, b Childs .. 68
Davey .. 70
J. C. Balderstone, c Graveney, b Davey .. 4
B. F. Davison, c Foat, b Childs .. 4
D. I. Gower, c Davey, b Childs .. 15
J. Birkenshaw, c sub, b Davey .. 34
*R. Illingworth, not out .. 36
†R. W. Tolchard, not out .. 14
Extras (l-b 9) .. 9
Total (6 wkts) .. 268

P. B. Clift, K. Shuttleworth and K. Higgs did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—21, 2—118, 3—134, 4—160, 5—198, 6—224.

BOWLING: Procter, 18—3—59—1; Brain, 6—1—13—0; Childs, 23—?—114—3; Graveney, 15—2—44—0; Davey, 6.3—2—29—2.

Umpires: A. Jepson and J. van Geloven.

Hants v Worcs

AT PORTSMOUTH

Hampshire (2 pts) drew with Worcestershire (6).

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings, 250 for 2 dec (G. M. Turner 135 not out).

Second Innings

G. M. Turner, c Greenidge, b Stevenson .. 23
J. A. Ormrod, c Stevenson, b Cowley .. 74
P. A. Neale, c Stephenson, b Stevenson .. 0
E. J. O. Hemsley, l-b-w, b Taylor .. 0
B. L. D'Oliveira, c Cowley, b Southern .. 51
D. N. Patel, b Southern .. 14
†D. J. Humphries, c Jesty, b Cowley .. 31
G. G. Watson, c Turner, b Cowley .. 21
*N. Gifford, c sub, b Cowley .. 1
A. P. Pridgeon, not out .. 1
Extras (l-b 5, w 1, n-b 1) .. 7
Total (9 wkts dec) .. 195

J. Cumbes did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—29, 2—30, 3—34, 4—106, 5—171, 6—169, 7—170, 8—191, 9—193.

BOWLING: Roberts, 7—3—12—0; Stevenson, 10—3—27—2; Taylor, 7—1—15—1; Jesty, 5—3—5—0; Southern, 24—6—56—2; Cowley, 25—7—74—4.

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings, 258 for 8 dec (M. N. S. Taylor 67, N. G. Cowley 64. Bowling: Watson, 31—4—?—4; Pridgeon, 13—?—48—1; Cumbes, 21—?—?—3; Gifford, 10—3—23—0; Hemsley, 4—0—17—0; Patel, 1—0—15—0).

Second Innings

C. G. Greenidge, b Watson .. 31
J. M. Rice, b Pridgeon .. 30
D. R. Turner, not out .. 31
T. E. Jesty, c Humphries, b Watson .. 3
N. G. Cowley, c Humphries, b Gifford .. 3
*R. M. C. Gilliat, not out .. 16
Extras (b 4, l-b 2, w 2) .. 8
Total (4 wkts) .. 104

M. N. S. Taylor, †G. R. Stephenson, A. M. E. Roberts, K. Stevenson and J. W. Southern did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—16, 2—69, 3—74, 4—79.

BOWLING: Watson, 10—1—24—2; Pridgeon, 3—1—20—1; Gifford, 8—2—18—1; Patel, 9—1—34—0; D'Oliveira, 2—2—0—0.

Umpires: W. E. Phillipson and A. E. G. Rhodes.

Northants v Surrey

AT NORTHAMPTON

Northamptonshire (5 pts) drew v Surrey (4).

SURREY: First Innings, 250 for 8 (B. J. Griffiths 5 for 66).

Second Innings

A. R. Butcher, c T. Lamb, b Williams ..
M. A. Lynch, c Sharp, b T. Lamb ..
*R. D. V. Knight, c Larkins, b Williams ..
G. R. J. Roope, b Steele ..
D. M. Smith, c Yardley, b Williams ..
Intikhab Alam, c T. Lamb, b Richards ..
R. D. Jackman, c Griffiths, b Steele ..
†C. J. Richards, not out ..
P. I. Pocock, not out ..
Extras (b 5, l-b 1, n-b 3) ..
Total (7 wkts dec) ..

J. H. Edrich and D. J. Thomas did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—50, 2—?, 3—12?, 4—133, 5—153, 6—16?, 7—176.

BOWLING: Griffiths, 6—1—13—?; T. Lamb, 9—2—22—1; Willey, 13—1—33—0; Williams, 19—5—?—?; Steele, 11—5—25—2; Richards, 1—0—8—1.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings, 165 for 4 dec (D. S. Steele 51. Bowling: Jackman, 7—3—13—0; Thomas, 7—2—15—0; Pocock, 28—8—73—2; Intikhab, 26—10—50—?; Butcher, 5—0—10—0).

Second Innings

*G. Cook, c Roope, b Jackman ..
W. Larkins, c Thomas, b Pocock ..
A. J. Lamb, c Richards, b Intikhab ..
P. Willey, b Jackman ..
T. J. Yardley, not out ..
D. S. Steele, not out ..
Extras (b 3, l-b 4) ..
Total (4 wkts) ..

R. G. Williams, I. M. Richards, †G. Sharp, T. M. Lamb and B. J. Griffiths did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—10?, 2—122, 3—125, 4—146.

BOWLING: Jackman, 13—?—3?—2; Thomas, 6—1—22—0; Intikhab, 17—1—67—1; Pocock, 10—0—53—1.

Umpires: B. J. Meyer and D. L. Evans.

Sussex v Essex

AT HOVE

Essex (17 pts) beat Sussex (6) by 4 wickets.

SUSSEX: First Innings, 250 for 7 dec (G. D. Mendis 128, J. R. T. Barclay 55 not out).

Second Innings

K. C. Wessels, c Smith, b Lever ..
G. D. Mendis, b Lever ..
P. W. G. Parker, c Hardie, b Phillip ..
C. P. Phillipson, c McEwan, b Lever ..
Imran Khan, c Turner, b Lever ..
*A. W. Greig, c Smith, b Lever ..
J. R. T. Barclay, l-b-w, b Lever ..
M. A. Buss, b Phillip ..
†A. Long, l-b-w, b Lever ..
G. G. Arnold, c Gooch, b Turner ..
R. G. L. Cheatle, not out ..
Extras (b 2, l-b 9, w 1, n-b 5) ..
Total ..

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—9, 2—12, 3—19, 4—30, 5—38, 6—59, 7—44, 8—85, 9—96, 10—115.

BOWLING: Lever, 15—3—32—7; Phillip, 16—3—50—2; Turner, 9.5—2—16—1.

ESSEX: First Innings, 210 for 7 dec (K. W. R. Fletcher 65. Bowling: Imran, 1?—?—52—2; Arnold, 16.4—6—38—4; Greig, 18—5—55—0; Buss, 7—1—27—0; Cheatle, 8—0—42—1).

Second Innings

M. H. Denness, c Wessels, b Imran .. 3
G. A. Gooch, c Cheatle, b Greig .. 50
K. S. McEwan, c Cheatle, b Arnold .. 5
*K. W. R. Fletcher, c Greig, b Arnold .. 23
B. R. Hardie, l-b-w, b Buss ..
N. Phillip, run out .. 34
S. Turner, not out .. 30
R. E. East, not out .. 2
Extras (b 5, l-b 1, w 3, n-b 3) .. 12
Total (6 wkts) .. 158

N. Smith, J. K. Lever and D. L. Acfield did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—?, 2—17, 3—76, 4—77, 5—99, 6—156.

BOWLING: Imran, 15—3—40—1; Arnold, 16.3—3—39—2; Greig, 10—3—34—1; Buss, 12—2—34—1.

Umpires: P. B. Wight and A. Whitehead.

Second XI competition

WOLLATON: Northamptonshire II, 181 for 4 dec and 168 for 9 dec (M. Allbrook 3 for 80, D. Bolus 4 for 53); Nottinghamshire II, 113 for 4 dec and 152 for 9 (D. Halliday 5 for 54, R. Tindall 4 for 39). Match drawn.

BARNSLEY: Yorkshire II, 201 for 7 dec (S. N. Hartley 54) and 190 for 5 dec (J. Love 45, B. Leadbeater 54); Worcestershire II, 127 (B. Jones 51) and 74 (A. Ramage 4 for 2, J. P. Whiteley 4 for 36). Yorkshire won by 190 runs.

CHELMSFORD: Essex II, 211 (D. Pringle 59; N. Kemp 5 for 68) and 194 for 7 dec (A. Lilley 51); Kent II, 142 (N. Perry 4 for 34) and 159 (S. Malone 4 for 12). Essex won by 104 runs.

Football

Lonely voice of fear is hear amid excitement over Argentine eals

Cliff Lloyd, the secretary of the ofessional Footballers' Associa-n, yesterday spelled out the ngers if Ardiles and Villa, of gentina's World Cup winning am, are allowed to play for ttenham Hotspur next season. It is a situation that cannot be missed lightly. Seeing these o could whet people's appetites d we could be caught up in mething that is detrimental to e game in this country as a ole", he said.

Keith Burkinshaw, the manager Spurs, is to return to London day after signing them for 50,000. Mr Lloyd could be hting a lone battle to keep em out. Before leaving for enos Aires last weekend, Mr rkinshaw made three telephone lls—to the FA, the League and e Department of Employment. All three bodies gave "tacit" proval to the signings, although Lloyd, fearing an influx of uth American players, warned: The position has got to be ked at very carefully. One has t to consider the game in this untry at all levels, right up to Engiand team, and what sort effect it will have."

A League spokesman said: "I not foresee any difficulties at s end. It was agreed at the cent AGM that clubs should be rmitted to play up to two eign-born players, and it seems ical that the management com-ttee will accept the registra-ns."

Ardiles and Villa will arrive in gland this weekend. Pat Wel-, Mr Burkinshaw's assistant, d: "They will have a medical xt Monday and also take part our pre-season photo call. The pair will then return to Argentina for a few days to sort out one or two problems."

Mr Welton added: "They will join us again a week later and will be going on our pre-season tour. The rest of our players can't wait for them to join us. Their re-action has been excellent. Spurs' tour kicks off in Aberdeen on August 5 and continues in Belgium against Royal Antwerp and Venlo before ending in Ire-land on August 12 against Bohemians.

Both Argentines should be granted work permits within a month of their applications being received. "Work permits are issued to people who have a job waiting for them provided the em-ployer has tried, and failed, to recruit suitable talent in this country", a Government spokes-man said.

Mr Welton admitted there was an element of risk involved but Mr Lloyd put it in stronger terms: "These two will find it a different kettle of fish playing in our conditions and with our com-mitments. It is a long, arduous season and these players still have to prove themselves under our conditions." Asked whether it was a gamble singing them, Mr Lloyd replied: "I don't know about that, but I would say it is a gamble signing them before they have work permits."

Spurs had originally intended to sign only Ardiles, from Huracan, but Mr Burkinshaw telephoned his chairman, Sidney Wale, from Argentina to say he wanted Villa, from Racing, as well. "The two families are very friendly and will be company for each other in England", Mr Welton explained.

Sheffield United's manager, Harry Haslam, was involved in the deal, as v Antonio Rattin, the former Arstina captain, sent off at Wembleuring the 1966 World Cup. It isis that most worried Mr Lloyd—e thought of a steary stream of uth Americans being offered faale to League clubs.

Mr Weh admitted: "There are many od players out there, and not h those that appeared in the Wd Cup. Other clubs might waind see what happens with us bre venturing into the market." ificantly, he added: "The situon is certainly right for signinplayers out there."

Mr Walcid: "Even allowing for our taposition, the players will be bet of fin this country than they uld be in Argentina. We have be trying to strengthen the team ice we gained pro-motion. Et though our sup-porters mit have thought we had been le, we have been negotiating ith English clubs, but, under e new freedom on contract relations, the clubs just do not n to part with their best players

Ardiles, ad 25, and rated by Ron Grewood, England's manager, ashe best right-sided midfield plai in the World Cup, will join thgifted Hoddle and McNab in thmidfield for Spurs. Villa, whi World Cup appearances ere restricted to two as subsite, is more likely to play a fot role. It leaves Mr Burkinshv with only one problem—to id a centre half. Lacy, of Fulh, is top of his list.

Mr Burkinsw expects to have the pair in hside for the open-ing match onugust 19. It pro-mises to be ne day. Spurs are away to the ampions, Notting-ham Forest, e odds on Spurs winning the e yesterday were 66-1. Today ty are 25-1.

England's advantage cut in half

Zurich, July 11.—Liverpool, ning for a third successive-uropean Cup triumph, were ired with their successors as iglish champions, Nottingham orest, when the first round draw r Europe's top club competi-ns were made here today.

The English advantage of ving two clubs in contention—verpool qualified as holders—s neutralized as soon as the mes were drawn. In their most cent cup encounter Forest beat verpool 1—0 after a replay to n the Football League Cup.

Brian Clough, the Forest anagr, said: "It's absolutely e by us. We qualified and are erefore prepared and ready to ke on Liverpool, who are the st team in the competition. We all face them with the same mmitment as we would do ainst any other top European le."

However, Stuart Dryden, the orest vice-chairman, said: "This aw makes me sick. Anyhow I ink we stand a good chance cause we played Liverpool four nts last year and did not lose."

Peter Shilton, who could not lay for Forest in the League Cup, id: "Personally I think it is very good thing for the two nglish sides to sort out which the one to follow from the cond round onwards."

A spokesman for Liverpool pressed disappointment at ving drawn Forest. Peter Robin-n, the club secretary, said: Naturally we are a bit dis-pointed. But at least it means ere will be full houses at both s. There could even be a prob-n with stadium capacity, pecially at Nottingham which ly holds about 40,000. One thing for sure, they are likely to be o attacking games".

"Basically it should not have ppened. But it is very difficult ten you look at the mechanics it. The draw would have had to be doctored to have made sure of keeping us apart."

Liverpool have included English-men among the 23 nationalities they have faced in 15 years of European campaigning but they had never been drawn against compatriots in the Europeen Cup. Their most recent encounted with fellow-countrymen was five years ago when they beat Tottenham Hotspur on the away-goal rule in the semi-final round of the Uefa Cup. They went on to beat Borussia Mönengladbach 3—2 on aggregate ine final.

In the CupWinners' Cup, Ipswich Town, th a solid recent background inhe Uefa Cup, were paired tov with a Dutch side, AZ '67, Alkmaar, who like themselves re new to the competition. Inthe same cup Wrexham take t Welsh dragon to Yugoslavia vre their hosts, Rijeka, are also wcomers to the competition. TheVelshmen have had two previoustempts.

First round European draws

European Cup

AC Monaco v Steaua Bucharest (preliminary round).
Real Madrid v Progres Niedercorn (Luxembourg).
Nottingham Forest v Liverpool.
AEK Athens v FC Porto.
Fenerbahce v PSV Eindhoven.
FC Bruges v Wisla Krakow (Poland).
Vlaznija Schkodra (Albania) v Austria Memphis Wein.
Zbrojovka Brno (Czechoslovakia) v Ujpest Dozsa.
FC Cologne v la Akranes (Iceland).
Juventus v Rangers.
Grasshoppers Zurich v Valletta.
Valkeakosken Haka (Finland) v Dynamo Kiev.
Malmoe v winner of preliminary match.
Omonia Nicosia v Bohemians (Republic of Ireland).
Odense (Denmark) v Lokomotiv Sofia.
Linfield (Northern Ireland) v Lillestrom (Norway).
Partizan Belgrade v Dynamo Dresden.

Uefa Cup

Dukla Prague v Lanerossi Vicenza (Italy).
CSKA Sofia v Valencia.
Borussia Mönchengladbach v SK Sturm Graz (Austria).
Arges Pitesti (Romania) v Panathinaikos.
Athletic Bilbao v Ajax.
Everton v Finn Harps (Republic of Ireland).
Jeunesse Esch v Lausanne Sports.
Nantes v Benfica.
SS Gijon (Spain) v AC Torino.
SC Braga (Portugal) v Hibernians (Malta).
Galatasaray Turkey v West Bromwich Albion.
Dinamo Berlin v Red Star Belgrade.
1903 Copenhagen v Kuopio Palloseura (Finland).
Basle v VFB Stuttgart.
Torpedo Moscow v Molde FK (Norway).
IF Elfsborg (Sweden) v RC Strasbourg.
MSV Duisburg v Lech Poznan (Poland).
Standard Liege v Dundee United.
IK Start Christiansand (Norway) v second entry fromDenmark.
Arsenal v Lok Liep.
arl Zeiss Jena v Lie (Belgium).
Glentoran (Northernireland) v IBV (Iceland).
Twente Enschede v inchester City.
Hibernian (Scotland) IFK Norrkoepina (Sweden).
Politechnica (Romani v second entry from Hungary.
Pezoporicos Larnaca yprus) v Slask Wroclaw.
Olympiakos Piraeus Levski Spartak Sofia.
AC Milan v Lokomotivosice (Czechoslovakia).
Dinamo Ibilisi (Soviet Uon) v Napoli.
First entry from Hunty v Adanaspor (Turkey).
Hajduk Split v Rap Wienerberger (Austria).
Hertha Berlin v Trakiplovdiv (Bulgaria).

The first legs shoulbe played on September 13 and the cond legs on September 27.

European Cup Winners Cup

Bye Anderlecht.
Sporting Lisbon v ni Ostrava (Czechoslovakia).
Barcelona v winner of the Sviet Union final.
Reykjavik v FC Magoebu
Marek Dimitrov (Bulgari v Aberdeen
Winner of the Hungarian n v Kalmar (Sweden).
Beveren (Belgium) v Ballymena (Northern Ireland).
Paok Salonika v Servette Geneva
Uni Craiova (Romania v Fortuna Dusseldorf.
Zaglebie Sosnowiec (Po v SSW Innsbruck.
AZ 67 Alkmaar (Nerlands) v Ipswich Town.
Shamrock Rovers (Republic of Ireland) v Apoel Nicosia.
Rijeka (Yugoslavia) v Wexham.
Florian (Malta) v Internale
Bodo Glimt (Norway) v Jon Luxembourg.
Winner of the final Denmark v Nancy.

Cycling

A sad day as French star goes out

St Lary-Soulan, July 11.—riano Martinez, of France, won lay's eleventh stage of the Tour France but Joseph Bruyere, of lgium, narrowly hung on to the erall leader's yellow jersey. rtinez was one of four riders o broke away from the field ring today's gruelling climbs d he produced an exciting sprint ish to win the stage from nault, a fellow Frenchman.

Pollentier, of Belgium, was third l Zoetemelk, of the Netherlands, urth. Today's stage, a 110-mile cent of the Pyrenean mountains m Pau, gave the first indication the favourites. Hinault rode a markable race and stole two nutes on Bruyere in the overall cings. But Bruyere still holds advantage of about one minute.

Martinez, aged 29, was born in rgos, Spain, but now has French tionality. The day was over-dowed by the withdrawal of evenet, the French star who n in 1975 and last year. evenet, out of form this season, uggled to stay in the race but pped out on the first exhaust-stage.

Hinault, Zoetemelk, Bruyere and llentier have emerged as the ongest riders and any one of m could make a decisive break the next few stages. Tomor-v's two half-stages take the ers from Tarbes, in the Pyren-, to the South-western capital Toulouse, a distance of 151½ les. The tour ends in Paris on y 23 with the traditional time-l on the Champs-Elysees.

ELEVENTH STAGE: 1, M. Martinez, irs 37 mins 26 secs; 2, B. Hinault, 7:51; 3, M. Pollentier (Belgium), 7:51; 4, J. Zoetemelk (Netherlands), 5:47:45; 5, J. Agostinho (Portugal), 5:48:54; 6, H. Kuiper (Netherlands), 5:48:56. Other placings: 47, S. Kelly (Ireland); 9; 82, B. Hoban (GB), 6:6:52; P. Sherwen (GB), 6:8:37.

OVERALL: 1, J. Bruyere (Belgium), 19:30; 2, B. Hinault, 56:20:35; J. Zoetemelk, 56:21:28; 4, M. lentier, 56:22:17; 5, H. Kuiper, 23:38; 6, J. Agostinho, 56:28:18. Other placings: 36, S. Kelly, 56:39:44; P. Sherwen, 57:5:24; 83, B. oban, 57:4:48.—Reuter.

Tennis

NEW YORK: V. Gerulaitis (US) beat Dent (Australia), 6—1, 7—6; V. Pecci (Paraguay) beat K. Rosewall (Australia), 5—8, 6—1.

DUBLIN: Irish open championships. Men's singles: Second round: G. Trin-beat N. Sheridan, 6—1, 6—0; B. Drewett (Australia) beat M. Dawson, 0, 7—5; B. Lawlor beat T. Burke, 3, 9—7. Third round: W. Bowrey (Australia) beat L. Steen, 6—2, 6—0; Sorenson beat K. Menton, 7—5, 4. Women's singles: Second round: Imhof beat B. Sheridan, 6—3, 6—3; Davy beat A. Smith, 6—1, 6—2; Sheridan beat H. Lennon, 6—2, 2; S. Faliha (Australia) beat G. rubilie, 6—3, 6—4; B. Glaziol (W many) beat C. Mewton (NZ), 6—3, 6—1.

Yachting

Three out of five classe won by French boats

By John Nicholls

There was a strong French presence in the Royal Ocean Racing Club's Cherbourg to the Solent race which finished at Gos-port yesterday. Three of the five competing classes were won by French boats, so the object of attracting French yachts over to this side of the Channel for a few days' racing appears to have been achieved. Today and to-morrow they will compete in in-shore races from Cowes and on Friday the fleet, joined by many others, sets off on a race to St Malo.

The Cherbourg starters were divided into two groups, with classes two, three and four sail-ing a longer course than classes five to eight. There was a dif-ference of nearly 100 miles (207 to 112) between the two courses, which led to two completely dif-ferent races. Small boat skip-pers often complain that their courses are badly chosen and too long; on this occasion it seems to have been entirely to their liking. All the smaller entries had finished by Monday evening, whereas the larger boats took another 24 hours and were far more widely spread out.

There was a good breeze for the start on Sunday as classes five to eight had a fast reach to their turning mark off Poole. The remaining classes, on the other hand, had a bear to their mark, farther to the west, off Dart-mouth Thus they were already falling behind the smaller boats. At Poole, which was reached in darkness, the wind died away to nothing, so that boats which had not allowe for e tide spent hours trying to round the mark.

Once round, te ti carried the fleet gently towards the Needles, where many boats anchored when the tide turnd. Eventually a breeze filled in aga, now from the south-east, givi a windward leg outside the Isof Wight to the Nab Tower. Thick mist pre-vented compeors from seeing one another intl they came together at th Nb. There. the order in class six to eight (mainly quarr tonners) was Fiskery, Gialunnd Moondog. On the spinnaker n h the finishing line, Moondog carrying a crew of only two, opposed to four on most of thether boats, surged past those ahd to win by four seconds on elaed time.

Meanwhile ses two to four suffered the sae period of light winds and tb, when the new breeze materlzed, they were faced with aong bear to the Owers light ofSelsey Bill. Theirs was predomitly a windward course acrosseveral periods of foul tide—hee the wide differ-ence in overalspeed between the two divisions.

CLASS 2: Revolution (J.-L. Fabry, France), hr 56min 36sec (no other finishers). CLASS 3: 1, Prau D'Bour (A. Sin France), 47:44:10; 2, Karena (J. Busten, Switzerland), 48:41:47; 3, Pordin-Nanco (J. Lamourie, Fran), 49:07:14. CLASS 4: 1, Borsalin Trois (G. Skelley), 46:51:22; 2, Idia (S. Beneat), 46:56:35; 3, Iadne (F. Ferris), 47:49:49. CLASS 5: 1, Shark (P. Meurisse, Fra), 21:51:51; 2, Alonzo Bistro (J. Gilber, France), 21:39:09; 3, ainent (C. Berclau, France), 21:42. CLASSES 6 to 8: 1, Moondog (Miss J. Clarke), 21:09:31; 2, Isy (T. Brownrigg), 21:09:34; 3, Gar (D. and J. Langridge), 21:13.

Rogue Wave leaves first

Phil Weld in his 60ft trimaran, Rogue Wave, was first to leave Crosshaven, in the Republic of Ireland, yesterday on the second leg of the *Observer* Round Britain race.

By the time he completed his stop-over 55 yachts from the original fleet of 74 had safely reached Crosshaven. Weld aims to reach Barra in the Hebrides—the next stop—by July 14.

Following eld out for the second leg e Three Legs of Mann, the 53 trimaran skippered by Nicholas ig, who is over four hours hind and GB II, Robin Knox-Johnston's 77ft mono-hull.

Horse show

Whitaker is first on Ryan Son

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

John Whitaker drew first blood in the Midland Bank Great York-shire championship when the Great Yorkshire Show started its three-day run at Harrogate yester-day. Riding Ryan's Son for the home county, he defeated David Broome on his new horse, Queens-way, who is of special interest in that he is the first German-bred horse, though he does not look it, that the four world champion has ever ow. Michael Saywell finished thirdalso for Yorkshire, on Trevor Bs's Chain Bridge.

Lady Zia Pollock's light-weight hunt Swanbourne, who came so n to winning the Horse and ound Cup at the Royal Show st week, took the hunter titlere, another York-shire triumh insofar as the rider at least waconcerned.

Racing

Acamas will be among French party for Ascot

From Desmond Stoneham
French Racing Correspondent
Paris, July 11

Acamas thoroughly pleased Guy Bonnaventure at work on Chantilly racecourse this morning. In spite of all rumours concerning the break-up of the Boussac empire, Acamas, who landed a spectacu-lar win in the Prix du Jockey Club, is still an intended runner in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot on July 22. He will leave Beauvais airport with Trillion, Montcontour and Rex Magna tomorrow week and the French party ofr the Ascot event will be made up by Turville, who ran third to Acamas in the Jockey Club.

It is impossible to oppose Dancing Maid in tomorrow's nine-furlong Prix Chloe at Evry, particularly as Alec Head has taken her out of next Saturday's Irish Guinness Oaks. The only French runner in Ireland will be Twilight Hour, who will be blinkered and has an outstanding chance of success after a fine win in the Prix Fille de l'Air at St Cloud on June 17.

Newmarket results

2.0 (2.1) WICKHAMBROOK HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,270: 1m)
Rose Bridges, ch f, by Calpurnius—Bolo (Mrs D. James), 8-5 J. Lowe (2-1 fav) 1
Streets Ahead ... T. Ives (8-1) 2
Marcoing ... P. Cook (5-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Northern Magic (4th), 11-1 Loppingdales, 12-1 Miss Hot Paints, 14-1 Humble Court, Russian Winter, 20-1 Cutler, 25-1 Town Blues, First Anniversary. 11 ran.
TOTE Win, 34p; places, 13p, 21p, 15p; dual forecast, £1.01. J. W. Watts, at Richmond. Sh hd, 2½l. 1min 43.77sec.

2.30 (2.34) CHERRY HINTON STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £14,444: 6f)
Devon Ditty, ch f, by Song—Devon Night (Sir E. McAlpine), 8-13 G. Starkey (15-8 fav) 1
Mixed Applause ... J. Mercer (5-1) 2
A Star is Born G. Duffield (33-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Bonnie Isle, 15-3 Wixoe Belle, 8-1 Town Lady, 10-1 Fleurs, 12-1 La Samanna (4th), 14-1 Caithness 20-1 Lightning Record, 33-1 Fancy Work, Lefki, Radigo. 13 ran.
TOTE: Win, 38p; places, 21p, 25p, 77p; dual forecast, 67p. H. Thomson Jones, at Newmarket. 1½l, 4l. 1min 15.05sec.

3.0 (3.2) WARD HILL BUNBURY CUP (Handicap: £5,390: 7f)
Greenhill God, b c, by Green God—Hill Queen (Sir C. Clore), 4-8-5 ... P. Cook (9-2) 1
Sorebelle ... R. Still (13-2) 2
Casino Boy ... L. Piggott (8-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Kintore (4th), 6-1 Sunset Value, 12-1 Chukaroo, Fighting Lady, 14-1 Cedar Grange, 25-1 Rocket Symphony, Dust Up, Prince of Light. 11 ran.
TOTE: Win, 48p; places, 13p, 15p, 23p; dual forecast, 61p. M. Stoute, at Newmarket 2l, 4l. 1min 27.72sec.

3.35 (3.36) PRINCESS OF WALES'S STAKES (Group II: £16,008: 1½m)
Pollerton, b c, by Rarity—Nilei (Mrs R. Vereker), 4-9-2 L. Piggott (7-1) 1
Royal Blend ... J. Mercer (6-1) 2
Hot Grove W. Carson (1-3 fav) 3
Also ran: 10-1 Paico. 4 ran.
TOTE: Win, 74p; dual forecast, 90p. H. Jones, Newmarket. 1l, 4l. 2min 37.20sec.

4.10 (4.13) CHESTERFIELD STAKES (2-y-o: £3,189: 5f)
St Hubert, br c, by Derring-Do—Hors Serie (Miss E. Buckmaster), 8-11 W. Carson (11-4) 1
Darwood ... P. Eddery (9-4 fav) 2
Son of Shaka ... B. Taylor (5-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-1 Barbablu (4th), 6-1 Disco Volante, 14-1 Ferryman, 20-1 Design for Living, 25-1 The Razor, 33-1 Bazaar Encounter, Fetter Lane, Up the Swanee. 11 ran.
TOTE: Win, 39p; places, 11p, 24p, 13p; dual forecast, 86p. W. Hern, West Ilsley. nk, 4l. 1min 02.15sec.

4.40 (4.42) HAMILTON HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,578: 6f)
Persepolis, b c, by Northfields—Persian Pie (Ld Howard de Walden), 8-2 P. Eddery (8-1) 1
Fashion Club ... P. Robinson (13-8 fav) 2
Vaigly Great ... G. Starkey (7-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 4-1 Lambkin, 7-1 Blessed Soandso (4th), 12-1 Fast Colour, Brazen Faced, Grulnard. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, 54p; places, 15p, 14p, 16p; dual forecast, 73p. P. Walwyn—Lambourn. 1½l, 1½l. 1min 14.7sec.

5.10 (5.14) PLANTATION STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £2,399: 7f)
Troy, b c, by Petingo—La Milo (Sir M. Sobell), 9-0, W. Carson (11-10 fav) 1
Warmington ... A. Kimberley (5-1) 2
Blue Patrol ... R. White (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-1 Elysee Palace, 12-1 All Of You, 14-1 Sinbad (4th), 20-1 Laska Floko, 25-1 Barrow, The Bedford, 33-1 Albany Victor, All Is Great, Classified, Herr Capitan, Observation Star, Prince Helen, Regal Tan, Ridan Flight, Big Force, Tummatenna, Rheinsparkle. 20 ran.
TOTE: Win, 29p; places, 11p, 21p, 51p; dual forecast, 66p. W. Hern, West Ilsley. 2l, 1½l. 1min 30.13sec. Parthian Lad did not run.

TOTE DOUBLE: Greenhill God and St Hubert, £18.55. TREBLE: Devon Ditty, Pollerton, Persepolis, £93.45. JACKPOT: Not won, pool of £3,198.65 carried forward. PLACEPOT: £61.60.

Catterick Bridge

2.15 (2.16) COLBORN HANDICAP (3-y-o: £404: 1m 3f 180yd)
Underbarrow Rose, b f, by Andrea Mantegna—Serotina (M. Edmondson), 8-9 ... A. Mercer (6-4 fav) 1
Who's Free ... K. Leason (15-2) 2
Minglas ... M. Wigham (16-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 4-1 Am Away Too (4th), 9-2 Forrest Fire, 15-2 Will Hard, 33-1 Cave Valley. 7 ran.
TOTE: Win, 21p; places, 12p, 31p; dual forecast, 50p. J. W. Watts, at Richmond. Sh hd, sh hd. Winner sold to D. Chapman for 850 guineas.

2.45 (2.48) TUNSTALL STAKES (2-y-o: £465: 5f)
Captain Nick, b c, by Sharpen Up—Centume (J. Ridelagh), 9-4 M. Wigham (1-3 fav) 1
Hillies ... P. Madden (20-1) 2
Beldale Sweetness B. Raymond (11-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 13-2 Ol Oyston (4th), 12-1 Fantastic Fish, 50-1 Miss Ayton. 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 15p; places, 11p, £1.14; dual forecast, £2.55. J. Hindley, at Newmarket. 4l, 4l. Mozart Sonata did not run.

3.15 (3.15) BROUGH HANDICAP (£1,278: 6f)
Comtec, b c, by Communication—Teclyn (T. Williams), 4-8-8 R. Fox (7-1) 1
Witches Broom ... P. Madden (8-1) 2
Croft Close ... A. Mercer (7-2 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 4-1 Prince, 5-1 Peggy Jet (4th), 7-1 Stanwick Maid, 14-1 Bronze Princess, 16-1 Double You, 20-1 Portrayal, Rualla, 25-1 Another Fiddler, 33-1 Bella Nova. 12 ran.
TOTE: Win, 73p; places, 17p, 22p, 22p; dual forecast, £1.26. K. Bridgwater, at Solihul. ½l, 1l.

3.45 (3.45) GROVE STAKES (£884: 1½m 40yd)
Mr Snow, b c, by Sir Ivor—Icy Blast (W. A. Stephenson), 5-8-2 J. Bleasdale (15-2) 1
Bradden, E. Johnson (10-11 fav) 2
Ha'Way Geordie, M. Wigham (7-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 2-1 Martial Game (4th), 50-1 Candied Peel. 5 ran.
TOTE: Win, 61p; dual forecast, 41p. W. A. Stephenson, Bishop Auckland. 1½l, 2½l.

4.15 (4.16) LEYBURN HANDICAP (2-y-o: £888: 5f)
Mi Favorita, b f, by Mummy's Pet—Parlais (N. Scott), 9-6 P. D'Arcy (11-10 fav) 1
Dessa Song ... P. Madden (10-1) 2
Manivek ... J. Bleasdale (4-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-1 Melody Song, 10-1 Zynpon (4th), Our Jeremy 12-1 Own Arrangements, 14-1 Palace Art, Hunny Bunny. 9 ran.
TOTE: Win, 15p; places, 12p, 26p, 34p; dual forecast, 77p. D. Sasse, Upper Lambourn. 2l, 1l.
Mi Favorita finished first, Manivek second and Dessa Song third, but after an objection by the third to the first two, the objection to the winner was overruled and the one to the second sustained.

4.45 (4.50) APPRENTICE STAKES (£689: 7f)
My Star Hussar, b c, by Comedy Star—My Queenie (T. Oliver), 5-8-4 ... S. Lawes (12-1) 1
Heracles ... P. Colquhoun (7-2) 2
Reparation, P. D'Arcy (7-4 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Marching On (4th), Supreme Penny, 20-1 Touch of Dutch, 25-1 Pinepitco, Raffastyle, 50-1 Precious Persa, Veiled Boy, Mer Mousse, Treble Event. 12 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1.06; places, 20p, 16p, 11p; dual forecast, £2.18. Walker, Newmarket. Nk, 4l.
Heracles finished first and My Star Hussar second, but after an inquiry the placing were reversed.

TOTE DOUBLE: Comtec and Mi Favorita, £15.50.
TREBLE: Captain Nick, Mr Snow, My Star Hussar, £4.70 (paid on first two legs).

Unbeaten quartet to be led by Sander's Lad

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

With Main Reef, Imperial Fling, Sander's Lad and Stanford all holding their ground overnight, today's July Stakes at Newmarket has the makings of being the best race for two-year-olds so far this season. As the four in question are all undefeated, it promises to be a trial of strength. Although Main Reef and Imperial Fling were both successful at Ascot last month, the key to today's prob-lem could lie, not in those results on that glamorous course, out two at the comparatively lowly Windsor earlier in the same week.

On that occasion, Sander's Lad and Stanford won the two divi-sions of the Temple Maiden Stakes, each with promise. Neville Callaghan and Patrick Eddery consider Stanford to be a good two-year-old and far superior to his stable companion, Nocturnal Boy, who won the Champagne Stakes at Salisbury only nine days after he had been unlucky to finish only fifth in the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot where he was drawn on the unfavourable side of the course.

Although there is a ring of confidence behind Stanford today, I still prefer Sander's Lad, who ran marginally faster at Windsor. Yesterday, his trainer, Paul Cole, told me that Sander's Lad could have gone better that day, and he has been delighted with his progress since then.

Indeed, a recent gallop with Sky-liner and John de Coombe, two strong three-year-olds, convinced him that Sander's Lad is a cut above average and that he has a fine chance of winning. Cole is aware that his colt faces a stiff task but he is still adamant that Sander's Lad will give his backers a good run for their money and he is my selection.

Main Reef has to give 3 lb to those who have already won and 8 lb to Moulin, the only maiden in the field. Moulin also ran well at Ascot, when be finished third in the Coventry Stakes, two lengths behind Lake City, who had previously run Main Reef to a length at Sandown Park.

When he won the Chesham Stakes, Main Reef was ridden out to beat Sir Chris by five lengths and, since then, Sir Chris has paid his conqueror a compliment by winning the Cock of the North Stakes at Haydock Park. Yet Main Reef could be outpaced. Being by Northern Dancer and out of a mare by Buckpasser, Imperial Fling has an imperial pedigree and our Newmarket Correspondent expects him to play a prominent part, too.

With four fillies who have either won a classic or have been placed in one among a field of 10, the Child Stakes promises to be another race to whet the appetite. When Enstone Spark won the 1,000 Guineas, she finished three and a half lengths ahead of Seraphima, who will be meeting her on 7 lb better terms today. Since the Guineas, Enstone Spark has fallen at Ascot and then ran indifferently at Longchamp and Seraphima finished fourth in the Oaks.

Enstone Spark will be wearing blinkers for the first time, as will Ridaness, who finished third in the Irish 1,000 Guineas before she finished second in the Corona-tion Stakes at Ascot less than a length in front of Baccalaureate. Cistus finished a long way behind Ridaness in the Irish classic, but proved that that performance was too bad to be true by winning the Lune Stakes at Goodwood and finishing second to Reine de Saba in the French Oaks, the Prix de Diane.

With only 8st 2lb to carry, Cistus should be hard to beat and she is my choice. Earlier in the day, her stable companion, Brompton Rose, another filly by Sun Prince, could win the Princess Maiden Stakes at the expense of Fair Mark.

Otherwise, the programme may well be dominated by Henry Cecil and Joe Mercer, who seem to have more than a strong chance of winning three of the supporting races with Hatched (2.30), Checkerberry (4.5) and Chop Gate (5.10).

Hot Grove drops out of big race at Ascot

By Michael Seely

Harry Thomson Jones excelled himself at Newmarket yesterday by winning both the afternoon's chief prizes. That bonny filly Devon Ditty showed a sparkling turn of foot to race clear of her rivals in the Group Three Cherry Hinton Stakes and an hour later, Pollerton credited Jones with an-other £12,412 by foiling the odds laid on Hot Grove in the Group Two Princess of Wales's Stakes.

Devon Ditty does her trainer proud. The Song filly is thriving on her racing. She looked even better yesterday than when win-ning the Hilary Needler Trophy at Beverley and when finishing third to Greenland Park in the Queen Mary Stakes. From half-way, it was only a question of whether Greville Starkey would get a clear run on Devon Ditty so easily was the two-year-old travelling. Switched outside, below the distance, she quickened in magnificent style to beat Mixed Applause by one and a half lengths.

Devon Ditty's owner, Sir Edward McAlpine was not at New-market but watched his filly's success on television in London. She is unlikely to run in the Lowther Stakes at the York Ebor Meeting and will probably be aimed at a race in France before being prepared for the Cheveley Park Stakes in the autumn.

Pollerton's defeat of Hot Grove must have come as a great shock to Fulke Johnson Houghton. The colt won at Goodwood as a three-year-old and is more than useful over hurdles but cannot be cosidered to be in the same class as Hot Grove, who was so narrowly beaten by The Minstrel in last year's Derby. The Blew-bury trainer said that Hot Grove will miss next week's King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes unless the ground becomes heavy. Lord Leverhulme's four-year-old will be rested before being trained for the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. Johnson Houghton's only repre-sentative in the big race as Ascot will be his King Edward VII Stakes winner, Ile de Bourbon. Pollerton's next target is the Scandinavian Open Championship on August 6.

As always, the weather im-proved at this meeting, and some first class sport was watched by a good crowd. Richard Hern and William Carson landed a magnificent double winning the Chesterfield Stakes with St Hubert and the Plantation Maiden Stakes with Troy. St Hubert, who was fully extended to hold off Darwood's challenge by a neck was bred by her owner, Miss Eulalie Buck-master at Moreton Morrell in Warwickshire. Troy, who handed out a decisive beating to Jeremy Hindley's promising newcomer, Warmington, is owned in partner-ship by Sir Michael Sobell and Sir Arnold Weinstock. Troy's victory certainly paid a handsome compliment to his Salisbury conqueror, Nobloys, whose main objective is the Seaton Delaval Stakes at Newcastle.

The Ward Hill Bunbury Cup re-sulted in a resounding victory for Sir Charles Clore's Greenhill God, who beat Sorebelle by two lengths. The favourite, Kintore, had none too clear a run and was doing his best work in the clos-ing stages to finish fourth. Green-hill God is a bad traveller, and failed to eat up when stabled at Ascot the night before the Royal Hunt Cup in which the four-year-old was unplaced behind Fear Naught. Remarkably, Greenhill God has made only three appear-ances on his local track, and won all three of them.

The Newmarket trainer was in front of the stewards after Vaigly Great had finished third to Perse-polis in the Hamilton Handicap; Vaigly Great has been off the course since finishing third at Don-caster on the opening day of the season. In April, the three-year-old rapped himself on the gallops and developed an infection. In the circumstances, Stoute was not keen for Vaigly Great to have a hard race after being off the race-course for four months.

STATE OF GOING (official): Kempton Park: Round course good, straight course good to firm. Catterick Bridge: Firm. Hamilton Park (tomorrow): Good to firm.

Catterick Bridge programme

2.15 LEEDS HANDICAP (3-y-o: £464: 6f)
2 0000-00 Quarry Bank, S. Nesbitt, 9-1 ... G. Moore 2
3 100-000 Food for Thought, D. Kent, 9-1 ... M. Wigham 3 6
4 00-0000 Ardmore Prince, W. Wharton, 8-13 ... W. Wharton 5 9
5 0-00000 Robins Chance (B), R. Hollinshead, 8-11 ... T. Ives 10
6 004-000 Ysemeopil (B), R. Ward, 8-7 ... K. Leason 3
7 000000 Canny Yatton (C), J. Calvert, 8-6 ... T. Thompson 7 4
8 00043-0 Tula Star, J. Fitzgerald, 8-5 ... B. Henry 5
10 00-0030 Everbinad, J. Hardy, 8-5 ... P. Madden 8
11 000000 Frond, M. W. Easterby, 8-3 ... C. Moss 1
12 00-0000 Quick Away (B), F. Yardley, 8-2 ... S. Perks 11
13 20-0300 Derken, D. Weeden, 8-2 ... P. Young 3 12
14 00-0034 Firemistress, S. Nesbitt, 8-2 ... M. Birch 7
7-2 Firemistress, 5-1 Ardmore Prince, 6-1 Everbinad, Food for Thought, 8-1 Frond, 10-1 Canny Yatton, Derken, 12-1 Quarry Bank, Ysemeopil, 16-1 others.

2.45 BRADFORD STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £655: 5f)
5 00 Gay Blanche, J. Etherington, 8-11 ... J. Seagrave 1
6 0 Gundi, W. Wharton, 8-11 ... W. Wharton 5 6
7 00 Moorgreen, B. Hanbury, 8-11 ... J. Lynch 4
8 Narcissus, C. Thornton, 8-11 ... O. Gray 2
10 400 Queens Holt, N. Callaghan, 8-11 ... J. Lowe 3
11 0 Real Party, M. Stoute, 8-11 ... G. Duffield 10
15 0000 *Sailing Sprig, D. Yeoman, 8-11 ... — 8
16 02000 Tempting Lady, P. Haslam, 8-11 ... C. Ollivier 7 5
17 0000 The Haulier, B. Blackshaw, 8-11 ... M. Wigham 3 9
19 0 Warmspun Proof, W. A. Stephenson, 8-11 ... G. Gray 7 7
7-4 Real Party, 5-2 Narcissus, 4-1 Tempting Lady, 6-1 Queens Holt, 10-1 Gundi, 12-1 Moorgreen, 16-1 others.

3.15 WAKEFIELD HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,213: 1m 7f 180yd)
1 01-233 Santala, J. W. Watts, 9-1 ... J. Lowe 2
2 10-0004 Amberaries, W. Holden, 8-10 ... M. Wigham 3 6
3 012 Hulda, Denys Smith, 8-3 ... W. Wharton 5 1
6 0-01000 Sounds Lovely, W. Elsey, 7-7 ... N. Howe 5 5
8 210130 Tallishire Beverly (CD,B), G. Toft, 7-6 ... C. Eccleston 5
9 011334 Fata Morgana, D. Weeden, 7-5 ... S. Jarvis 5 7
12 21-2343 One-Cal, P. Haslam, 7-1 ... C. Ollivier 7 4
6-4 Hulda, 7-2 Santala, 5-1 Fata Morgana, 6-1 Amberaries, 10-1 Sounds Lovely, 14-1 One-Cal, 30-1 Tallishire Beverly.

3.45 HUDDERSFIELD STAKES (2-y-o: £883: 7f)
2 0111 Glashon (D), J. Hindley, 9-7 ... A. Kimberley 3
3 10321 Sabir (D), B. Hills, 9-7 ... P. D'Arcy 7 2
4 021000 Milford Miss, J. Hardy, 9-4 ... Miss P. Madden 1
4-6 Glashon, 11-8 Sabir, 20-1 Milford Miss.

4.15 HALIFAX HANDICAP (£1,228: 1m 5f 180yd)
2 123112 Fair Kitty (C), J. Fitzgerald, 7-9-6 ... K. Leason 4
4 14002- Prince Carl, A. Dickinson, 4-9-0 ... S. Webster 5
6 202301 Hot Shot, W. C. Watts, 6-8-7 ... K. Nicholls 7 3
7 243230 Park Row, Denys Smith, 5-8-2 ... P. Kelleher 1
8 34-0111 Trading (CD), W. Holden, 5-8-1 ... M. Wigham 3 2
2-1 Trading, 5-2 Fair Kitty, 7-2 Hot Shot, 4-1 Park Row, 8-1 Prince Carl.

4.45 DEWSBURY STAKES (£750: 1¼m)
1 00-0 Amber River, N. Callaghan, 4-9-7 ... P. Young 1 3
2 00 Championo, W. A. Stephenson, 4-9-7 ... T. O'Ryan 11
3 00-0040 Gerrard's Cross (B), R. Carter, 4-9-7 ... J. Lowe 7
4 000 Jailer, Denys Smith, 5-9-7 ... C. Eccleston 6
5 00 Morte D'Arthur, F. Wiles, 6-9-7 ... J. Haynes 7 5
7 Ersiung, W. Holden, 4-9-4 ... M. Wigham 3 2
9 Kimberley Lady, J. A. Turner, 7-9-4 ... K. Leason 10
11 000-43 Blue Drake (B), J. Hindley, 3-8-8 ... A. Kimberley 16
12 000-000 Boreas, S. Nesbitt, 3-8-8 ... C. Moss 4
14 04-0340 Illberight, G. Richards, 3-8-8 ... O. Gray 12
15 000420- Never Die, J. Walker, 3-8-8 ... J. Lynch 8
16 000-00 Nurose, A. Hide, 3-8-8 ... J. Seagrave 3
18 0 Amble On, Miss S. Hall, 3-8-5 ... M. Birch 15
19 022-3 Cooling, E. Weymes, 3-8-5 ... G. Duffield 19
21 00-4 Hopalong, M. Jarvis, 3-8-5 ... G. Sexton 14
23 0-00000 Immodest Miss, R. Hollinshead, 3-8-5 ... T. Ives 9
24 Kiara, N. Adam, 3-8-5 ... E. Apter 17
26 0-40 Rheinglow, B. Hills, 3-8-5 ... R. Street 18
28 00-40 Super Swallow, M. Camacho, 3-8-5 ... G. Gosney 5 13
5-2 Cooling, 3-1 Rheinglow, 5-1 Blue Drake, 6-1 Hopalong, 8-1 Super Swallow, 10-1 Illberight, 12-1 Never Die, 20-1 others.
*Doubtful runner.

Catterick Bridge selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.15 Food for Thought. 2.45 Real Party. 3.15 Hulda. 3.45 Glashon. 4.15 Fair Kitty. 4.45 Rheinglow.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.15 Derken. 2.45 Queens Holt. 3.15 Amberaries. 3.45 Glashon. 4.15 Trading. 4.45 Blue Drake.

Kempton Park selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
6.10 All Rounder. 6.40 Italian Summer. 7.5 Picatina. 7.30 Hauser. 8.0 Stratton. 8.30 Northanger. 9.0 Ela-Mana-Mou.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
6.10 All Rounder. 6.40 Italian Summer. 7.5 Picatina. 7.30 Fraash. 8.0 La Boheme. 8.30 Hugo di Tours. 9.0 Clarinet.

Newmarket programme

[Television (IBA): 2.30, 3.0, 3.35 and 4.5 races]

2.0 PRINCESS STAKES (2-y-o maiden fillies: £2,589: 6f)
1 30 Arctic Duet, D. Ringer, 8-11 ... J. Bleasdale 9
3 Brompton Rose, W. Hern, 8-11 ... W. Carson 5
5 Espuma, G. P-Gordon, 8-11 ... E. Eldin 8
6 032 Fair Mark, M. Jarvis, 8-11 ... B. Raymond 6
7 0 Fair Melys, H. Wragg, 8-11 ... B. Taylor 18
8 0 Flying Fire, B. Hobbs, 8-11 ... G. Baxter 15
10 0 Fra Man, R. Armstrong, 8-11 ... T. Durr 12
11 Fumarole, R. Jarvis, 8-11 ... B. Jago 19
12 Gay France, M. Stoute, 8-11 ... G. Starkey 13
13 Girton, J. Winter, 8-11 ... B. Rouse 11
14 Glebehill, J. Winter, 8-11 ... A. Bond 4
15 • Great Grey Niece, B. Hobbs, 8-11 ... G. Lewis 3
16 Green Lass, Thomson Jones, 8-11 ... L. Piggott 20
17 Laelia, P. Walwyn, 8-11 ... P. Eddery 2
20 Manawa, W. Hastings-Bass, 8-11 ... H. White 7
21 Mary Millington, N. Callaghan, 8-11 ... J. Mercer 10
22 Miss St Cyr, Doug Smith, 8-11 ... E. Hide 17
23 Queen's Parade, J. Dunlop, 8-11 ... F. Morby 1
24 • Red Darling, B. Hanbury, 8-11 ... R. Muddle 5 16
25 Song Sung Blue, L. Cumani, 8-11 ... P. Cook 14
26 033242 Sterionia, W. Marshall, 8-11 ... — 22
28 00 Tyran, R. Jarvis, 8-11 ... M. L. Thomas 21
7-2 Fair Mark, 5-1 Fair Melys, 6-1 Laelia, 7-1 Brompton Rose, 8-1 Green Lass, 10-1 Flying Fire, Great Grey Niece, 12-1 Gay France, 14-1 Sterionia, 16-1 others.

2.30 DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,540: 1¼m)
201 1-04140 Heir Presumptive, R. Houghton, 9-0 ... L. Piggott 1
202 311-144 Aberader, H. Candy, 8-11 ... P. Waldron 4
203 12 Dartmouth, M. Stoute, 8-8 ... G. Starkey 6
204 21 Hatched (D), H. Cecil, 8-7 ... J. Mercer 3
206 01-044 Crimson Beau (D), P. Cole, 8-5 ... G. Baxter 2
207 2-02111 Stephano, P. Walwyn, 8-5 ... P. Eddery 7
211 210231 Mr Pringle (D), E. Lambton, 7-5 ... P. Robinson 7 5
2-1 Hatched, 3-1 Stephano, 9-2 Mr Pringle, 13-2 Crimson Beau, 8-1 Heir Presumptive, 12-1 Aberader, Dartmouth.

3.0 CHILD STAKES (Gp 3: Fillies: £9,600: 1m)
301 11102-0 April, C. Thornton, 4-9-0 ... J. Bleasdale 9
302 210-110 Enstone Spark (B,D), B. Hills, 3-8-12 ... E. Johnson 4
303 332-020 No Cards (D), G. P-Gordon, 4-8-10 ... E. Eldin 1
304 10-0322 Ridaness (B), L. Browne, 3-8-3 ... L. Piggott 5
306 11-134 Seraphima, P. Walwyn, 3-8-5 ... P. Eddery 8
307 04-4110 Shapina (B,D), P. Cole, 3-8-3 ... G. Baxter 10
308 12-1404 Spring in Deepsea, L. Cumani, 3-8-5 ... G. Starkey 7
309 112-012 Cistus, W. Hern, 3-8-2 ... W. Carson 3
310 0-2143 Baccalaureate, H. Wragg, 3-7-12 ... M. L. Thomas 2
311 000100 Green Girl (D), P. Kelleway, 3-7-12 ... H. White 6
4-1 Seraphima, 9-2 Ridaness, Cistus, 5-1 Baccalaureate, 8-1 Enstone Spark, 10-1 Spring in Deepsea, 12-1 No Cards, 14-1 Shapina, 16-1 others.

3.35 JULY STAKES (Gp 3: 2-y-o: £15,514: 6f)
401 11 Main Reef (D), H. Cecil, 8-13 ... J. Mercer 1
403 14 Historian (D), W. Hern, 8-10 ... W. Carson 4
404 1 Imperial Fling, Thomson Jones, 8-10 ... L. Piggott 2
406 1 Sander's Lad (D), P. Cole, 8-10 ... G. Baxter 5
407 1 Stanford, N. Callaghan, 8-10 ... P. Eddery 6
409 03 Moulin, C. Brittain, 8-5 ... E. Hide 3
5-4 Main Reef, 100-30 Imperial Fling, 5-1 Moulin, 7-1 Stanford, 12-1 Historian, 14-1 Sander's Lad.

4.5 DUCHESS OF MONTROSE HANDICAP (3-y-o fillies: £3,064: 7f)
501 0-00030 Negative Response, M. Haynes, 9-0 ... L. Piggott 5
502 10 Checkerberry (D), H. Cecil, 8-12 ... J. Mercer 2
503 132-00 Leto, P. Walwyn, 8-12 ... P. Eddery 6
504 3311-3 Katharina, J. Dunlop, 8-9 ... G. Starkey 4
505 00-0020 Double Finesse, J. Winter, 8-4 ... B. Taylor 7
507 134-122 Collapse, H. Candy, 8-2 ... P. Waldron 1
508 0-00227 Sandford Lass, H. Price, 8-1 ... B. Rouse 6
509 32-410 Lisanola, J. Sutcliffe, 7-13 ... R. Fox 3
515 12 Habit (D), L. Cumani, 7-6 ... W. Carson 8
9-4 Collapse, 3-1 Katharina, 9-2 Habit, 6-1 Sandford Lass, 13-2 Checkerberry, 10-1 Leto, 14-1 Lisanola, 20-1 others.

4.40 CLARE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,603: 1m 6f 171yd)
601 011-434 Arbusto, H. Cecil, 9-6 ... J. Mercer 5
602 41-2120 Crested Grebe, B. Hobbs, 9-3 ... G. Lewis 6
605 3-23221 M-Lolshan, H. Price, 9-1 ... B. Taylor 7
606 21-1203 Vestal Virgin, I. Balding, 8-5 ... J. Mathias 3
608 4312 Hurakan, M. Jarvis, 8-3 ... B. Raymond 2
609 001 Palm Island, M. Stoute, 7-13 ... P. Cook 4
610 00-001 Sofronoff, J. Dunlop, 7-8 ... W. Carson 1
613 321-200 Emilia, H. Wragg, 7-4 ... K. Darley 5 9
616 000130 Kandos (B), R. Armstrong, 7-1 ... M. Roberts 8
5-2 M-Lolshan, 4-1 Hurakan, 5-1 Sofronoff, 6-1 Crested Grebe, 13-2 Kandos, 8-1 Arbusto, 10-1 Palm Island, 12-1 others.

5.10 KENNETT STAKES (3-y-o maidens: £1,984: 1¼m)
1 00 Butty, W. Hern, 9-0 ... W. Carson 1
3 20 Chop Gate, H. Cecil, 9-0 ... J. Mercer 18
4 000-000 Crowned Jewel, B. Lunness, 9-0 ... — 5
7 0-00000 Greengate (B), W. Marshall, 9-0 ... — 16
8 0-2 Highland Prince, J. Nelson, 9-0 ... H. White 9
402002 Jaymoor (B), P. Kelleway, 9-0 ... S. Salmon 14
11 000-30 Lazy Dynamite, L. Cumani, 9-0 ... G. Baxter 15
12 0-0 McNicholas (B), C. Brittain, 9-0 ... E. Hide 4
13 Pompeii, G. Harwood, 9-0 ... G. Starkey 3
14 004032 Quality Supreme, Denys Smith, 9-0 ... K. Darley 5 7
16 0-342 Sungold, M. Jarvis, 9-0 ... B. Raymond 2
17 Temoke, W. Marshall, 9-0 ... — 13
18 0-0000 Tresor d'Or, W. O'Gorman, 9-0 ... — 17
19 2-03023 United Effort, B. Lunness, 9-0 ... B. Jago 8
20 0 Aldershot, H. Wragg, 8-11 ... — 20
21 Lera, G. P-Gordon, 8-11 ... J. Bleasdale 11
23 0033 Miss Mirage, R. Armstrong, 8-11 ... E. Johnson 10
25 Never Lost, R. Armstrong, 8-11 ... M. Miller 5 21
28 000-00 Record Choice, G. P-Gordon, 8-11 ... E. Eldin 19
30 00-0032 Sharik (B), R. Sheather, 8-11 ... P. Waldron 10
32 43 The Gascon, H. Wragg, 8-11 ... L. Piggott 6
7-2 Chop Gate, 4-1 Sungold, 9-2 The Gascon, 7-1 Butty, 8-1 Highland Prince, 10-1 Lazy Dynamite, 12-1 Jaymor, 16-1 Quality Supreme, 20-1 Miss Mirage, 25-1 others.

Newmarket selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
2.0 Brompton Rose. 2.30 Hatched. 3.0 CISTUS is specially recommended. 3.35 Sander's Lad. 4.5 Checkerberry. 4.40 M-Lolshan. 5.10 Chop Gate.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Green Lass. 2.30 Hatched. 3.0 Baccalaureate. 3.35 Main Reef. 4.5 Habit. 4.40 Arbusto. 5.10 Chop Gate.

Kempton Park programme

6.10 POPLAR MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: 3-y-o: £938: 1m)
1 0334-32 All Rounder, W. Hastings-Bass, 9-0 ... P. Eddery 6
3 040 Ashcroft (B), J. Bethell, 9-0 ... J. Reid 14
7 0-00000 Cri de Grace (B), C. Benstead, 9-0 ... P. Tulk 16
9 000- Flash O'Green, R. Jarvis, 9-0 ... M. Thomas 3
12 20-2000 Glenbleat, G. Harwood, 9-0 ... G. Starkey 4
13 Knifage, J. Dunlop, 9-0 ... R. Muddle 5 8
15 0-40200 Luz Bay (B), T. Gosling, 9-0 ... J. Matthias 11
17 04- Nice Bounty, D. Keith, 9-0 ... A. Bond 12
19 Ron's Sign Centre, J. Sutcliffe, 9-0 ... B. Rouse 9
23 30- Sonnino, L. Cumani, 9-0 ... D. Power 5
26 00-00 Techmatic, Pat Mitchell, 9-0 ... L. Griffiths 7
28 342030- Tracy's Brother, M. Smyly, 9-0 ... — 15
31 00-40 Cinclus, P. Cundell, 8-11 ... — 1
33 20- Hollow Tree, J. Tree, 8-11 ... S. Raymont 10
35 0-042 Lady Whitefoot, M. Jarvis, 8-11 ... P. Cook 2
43 02-3004 Shades of Glory (B), W. Hern, 8-11 ... P. Eddery 13
9-4 Lady Whitefoot, 11-4 All Rounder, 9-2 Sonnino, 5-1 Shades of Glory, 8-1 Hollow Tree, 10-1 Nice Bounty, 12-1 others.

6.40 LARCH STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £1,039: 5f)
2 0 Cham-Do, P. Rohan, 8-11 ... C. Dwyer 12
3 Coolie, M. Francis, 8-11 ... H. Ballantine 1
4 0 Drag Line, D. Keith, 8-11 ... P. Cook 6
6 00 Gellifawr, M. Salaman, 8-11 ... A. Cousins 13
7 030 Italian Summer, Doug Smith, 8-11 ... M. Thomas 4
8 Jonnie's Star, P. Cole, 8-11 ... G. Baxter 7
10 Lilting Lady, J. Nelson, 8-11 ... J. Reid 3
16 Radnorcliffe, A. Ingham, 8-11 ... R. Muddle 5 2
17 0 Rectitude, P. Walwyn, 8-11 ... P. Eddery 8
19 000 Screech Owl, R. Smyth, 8-11 ... G. Ramshaw 14
20 0 Shagra, D. Whelan, 8-11 ... G. Lewis 11
21 Slip the Ferret, H. Price, 8-11 ... B. Taylor 6
23 0 Strictly Swing, J. Sutcliffe, 8-11 ... B. Rouse 10
24 00 Tweel, R. Hannon, 8-11 ... F. Durr 15
25 0 What A Lass, C. Benstead, 8-11 ... P. Tulk 9
100-30 Italian Summer, 9-2 Slip the Ferret, 5-1 Tweel, 6-1 Drag Line, Rectitude, 8-1 Strictly Swing, 10-1 Jonnie's Star, 12-1 Radnorcliffe, 14-1 others.

7.5 KENILWORTH APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£970: 1m 1f)
2 1130-10 Picatina, W. Hastings-Bass, 4-9-11 ... S. Young 7 20
3 01-000 Peace Symbol, I. Balding, 4-9-5 ... R. Hastie 7 15
4 000-000 Elton Abbess, P. Allingham, 4-8-12 ... S. Keighley 1
5 0-00020 Royal Friend, M. Salaman, 4-8-11 ... A. Jones 7 17
6 233323 Paddy's Luck (B), C. Benstead, 6-8-8 ... — 3
8 302-000 Swing Through, D. Marks, 5-8-4 ... M. Malham 7 10
9 0 Tervey Boy, W. Wightman, 4-8-0 ... K. Willshire 7 6
10 0400-02 Good Fellow, H. Wragg, 5-8-0 ... S. Parr 7 2
11 000 Golden Gayle, P. Rohan, 6-7-13 ... R. Barker 11
13 223-021 Galadriel, D. Kent, 7-7-13 ... R. Barnes 7 4
14 0341-00 Bermondo, C. Benstead, 7-7-10 ... W. Swinburn 5 16
15 4310-00 Mount Stephen, D. Jermy, 4-7-9 ... C. Colley 7 19
16 030-001 Miss Hartnell, M. Haynes, 4-7-9 ... S. Spendlove 5 9
17 0-00 Rich Vision, J. Holt, 4-7-8 ... K. Raymond 7 13
18 0-00211 Parengeta, R. Hampton, 5-7-7 ... C. Peerless 7 5
19 20-0330 Silk Fashion, A. Pitt, 4-7-7 ... J. Blanks 7 18
21 00003-0 Nellie Clark, G. Balding, 5-7-7 ... C. Longair 7 14
24 00-0010 Dropshot, W. Musson, 5-7-7 ... S. Hill 5 7
25 00000-4 Jack Jiggs, B. Wise, 6-7-7 ... M. Kingshott 5 12
26 0000- Hello Love, J. O'Donoghue, 5-7-7 ... M. Green 5 8
4-1 Picatina, 9-2 Galadriel, 5-1 Paddy's Luck, 6-1 Good Fellow, 13-2 Parengeta, 8-1 Miss Hartnell, 10-1 Bermondo, Silk Fashion, 14-1 others.

7.30 OAKS HANDICAP (£1,777: 1½m)
2 00200-0 Mallard Song (C,D), G. Harwood, 4-9-5 ... G. Starkey 10
3 203-004 Decamania, G. Hunter, 4-9-2 ... — 8
4 0-40312 Tamanaco, H. Price, 4-8-11 ... B. Taylor 3
6 Paper Chase (C-D), G. Peter-Hoblyn, 7-8-10 ... P. Eddery 5
9 324131 United (D), M. Haynes, 5-8-0 ... B. Rouse 6
10 000114 Hauser (B,D), W. Hern, 4-8-1 ... W. Carson 11
12 11-0000 Fraash (D), B. Lunness, 6-7-11 ... C. Rodrigues 3 7
13 01-2223 Winged Dagger (C-D), J. Old, 9-7-10 ... D. McKay 4
14 2334-01 Tudor Wynk (D), S. Mellor, 5-7-8 ... C. Leonard 2
16 4-01320 *Tiran, Mrs N. Birch, 5-7-7 ... — 1
19 30-0002 Welthi (B,D), M. Francis, 5-7-7 ... R. Fox 9
9-4 Hauser, 9-2 Tamanaco, 5-1 United, 6-1 Decamania, 8-1 Winged Dagger, 10-1 Tudor Wynk, 12-1 Welthi, 14-1 Mallard Song, 20-1 others.

8.0 POPLAR MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: 3-y-o: £931 1m)
5 0 Azd, M. Masson, 9-0 ... A. Bond 6
8 00-020 Field Game, J. Bethell, 9-0 ... W. Carson 1
10 04 Gauguin, H. Price, 9-0 ... B. Taylor 8
13 004-004 Grey Fusilier, M. Bolton, 9-0 ... P. Cook 12
16 00 Mendip Monarch, R. Hannon, 9-0 ... E. Eldin 10
18 000-000 Premier Mal (B), J. Powney, 9-0 ... G. Starkey 5
21 0-04020 Simioni, R. Akehurst, 9-0 ... R. Curant 16
25 03- Stratton, W. Wightman, 9-0 ... — 3
27 04 Top Traveller, P. Cole, 9-0 ... G. Baxter 9
30 000004 Van Meegeren (B), D. Sasse, 9-0 ... J. Reid 11
32 0-00 Friston Forest, B. Wise, 8-11 ... H. Ballantine 4
34 0 La Boheme, R. Boss, 8-11 ... M. Thomas 14
37 0-00 Patchers, J. Dunlop, 8-11 ... G. Starkey 13
38 000-0 Rama, J. O'Donoghue, 8-11 ... P. O'Leary 7
40 003303 Roses All The Way, C. Benstead, 8-11 ... P. Tulk 2
9-2 Gauguin, 5-1 Field Game, 6-1 Azd, Roses All The Way, 8-1 Stratton, Top Traveller, Van Meegeren, 10-1 Simioni, 12-1 Grey Fusilier, 16-1 others.

8.30 ELM HANDCAP (3-y-o: £1,836: 1m)
1 10-2100 Hugo Di Tours (B), L. Cumani, 9-0 ... G. Starkey 4
3 3420-10 Buffoon (D), I. Balding, 8-6 ... J. Matthias 1
4 3100-03 Milton Rowe, P. Cole, 8-5 ... S. Eccles 5 11
6 004-231 Jack O'Lantern (D), P. Cundell, 8-2 ... K. Darley 5 8
7 3130-02 Newark, W. Hastings-Bass, 8-1 ... A. Bond 9
8 0-02012 St Michael's Mount, N. Vigors, 8-1 ... P. Cook 2
9 323124 Acolyte (D), P. Walwyn, 8-1 ... P. Eddery 12
10 32-0043 Cherry Picking, H. Price, 7-13 ... J. Blanks 7 7
11 00-010 Northanger (C-D), J. Bethell, 7-10 ... W. Carson 5
12 0-12100 Somers Heir, W. Wightman, 7-9 ... M. Thomas 6
14 000 Aparicio, H. Price, 7-9 ... S. Salmon 13
19 002-10 Hang-on Elvis (B), N. Callaghan, 7-2 ... — 10
20 0-00044 Blackwater River, P. Makin, 7-1 ... V. Woods 5 15
23 01000-2 Rouge Song, E. Reavey, 7-0 ... W. Swinburn 7 3
25 0-00000 *Kintbury, Mrs N. Birch, 7-0 ... — 14
3-1 Acolyte, 4-1 St Michael's Mount, 9-2 Northanger, 11-2 Newark, 6-1 Jack O'Lantern, 8-1 Milton Rowe, 10-1 Cherry Picking, 12-1 others.

9.0 WILLOW STAKES (2-y-o: £1,452: 6f)
2 1 Ela-Mana-Mou (D), G. Harwood, 9-0 ... G. Starkey 1
6 Born To Reason, H. Price, 8-11 ... B. Taylor 10
7 00 Captain Courageous, D. Whelan, 8-11 ... B. Rouse 7
8 40 Clarinet, B. Hobbs, 8-11 ... G. Lewis 5
9 Denmore, J. Nelson, 8-11 ... E. Eldin 3
10 Gordon Jones, J. Holt, 8-11 ... P. Perkins 4
12 340 Sailord, P. Mitchell, 8-11 ... W. Carson 2
13 00 Sally Anne's Boy (B), N. Callaghan, 8-11 ... — 9
19 Windchester, S. Supple, 8-11 ... G. Ramshaw 6
20 Taras, J. Dunlop, 8-8 ... S. McCormack 7 8
6-4 Ela-Mana-Mou, 7-2 Sailord, 5-1 Born To Reason, 6-1 Clarinet, 8-1 Taras, 12-1 Sally Anne's Boy, 14-1 others.

Hirsch: ridiculous prices and art market 'groupies'



"A man holding an astronomical instrument", by Urs Graf, from the Hirsch collection, sold for £122,000.

After 10 days in London devoted principally to attending the von Hirsch sales, I tried, as I flew back to New York, to examine some of my reactions to the events I had witnessed. I should have been exhilarated, but I was not. Yet it was hard to define the unease which I—and from all indications—many others felt.

As an art dealer of some experience, I should not have been upset at the spectacle of people paying high prices for works of art. I think that satisfying works of art which captivate us by whatever measure collective educated taste can apply, are indeed worth a great deal of money when they come on the market. I have always believed that it is not extraordinary for rich men to compete for such things when opportunity comes, but rather that it would be extraordinary if they did not. Yet, somehow, this time it seemed wrong. The atmosphere was unpleasant and disturbing in spite of the tremendous success of the auction.

Why this negative reaction? Perhaps because it was made into what is called a media event. The art world is fairly small, and the active collectors, museum people, and dealers know each other. We have a good idea of what things are worth and we have differing but informed opinions about the quality of this and that. Somehow, all such judgments and expertise were swamped by the tidal wave of Hirsch publicity.

Consequently, many of the prices made no sense whatever on any scale of measure known to insiders, and were in no way consistent even within the extravagant levels established for this collection. One should probably exclude from this observation the morning session of medieval objects, the heart of the Hirsch Collection, during which, in spite of very high prices, one had the feeling that intelligence and expert judgment were at work.

I have to admit here that much of the unease I felt was, after all, because prices were too high, sometimes ridiculously so even for the very good things for which normally I would applaud a strong price. It seemed wrong and unfair that buyers would pay an amount at the Hirsch sale that they would not consider for half as much the same example or an even better one in a London or New York gallery. I was, in fact, able to purchase a Seurat conté crayon drawing very much finer and more celebrated than the Hirsch "Woman with Umbrella" (Lot No 846, £60,000) at a gallery in St James's currently showing a nineteenth-century drawing exhibition. The price was almost exactly half that of the Hirsch piece.

A week before the sales in London, Kornfeld in Bern, a distinguished Swiss auction house, sold the companion Cézanne watercolour to the von Hirsch "Still Life with Melon" (Lot No 836 £300,000), also of melons, the same size and date, fresher in colour and preservation and, according to many authorities, a finer example altogether. It came from the famous Hahnloser Collection and brought the high, but rational price of about $350,000. Again, just slightly more than half the Hirsch price.

One may invoke all the aphorisms about "a fool and his money" and feel no responsibility if someone wants to pay much more than a thing is worth, but an event of this kind inevitably has a ripple effect over the whole world of art collecting, creating a "South Sea Bubble" fright, a boom-and-bust psychology.

As a media event, the Hirsch sale caused some farcical activities on its periphery that had nothing to do with the art being sold. One became aware of art market "groupies", as determined a band of camp-followers as those that surround the rock stars. They would wheedle and cajole saleroom tickets, determined to see and be seen even though they had no interest in buying. There were Hirsch parties and everywhere there were cameramen. Wherever one looked, a lens was looking back.

I don't blame Sotheby's. They did a superb job of merchandising, which is their responsibility to the consignor. I blame the current philistine approach to art collecting as investment, which has taken away our society's ability to look at art without dollar signs in our eyes. Museum exhibitions and promotions today are infected with the same virus. Have you noticed how many recent international loan shows are of treasure—gold and silver hoards from Tutankhamun to Fabergé? They are usually installed dramatically to look like Cartier or Tiffany.

Finally, I had to wonder about Robert von Hirsch himself, the highly cultivated instigator of all these revels. Clearly he suspected what would happen since he specified long ago when making his will that Sotheby's should sell the collection. His name was known for years to some cognoscenti, but now he is really famous, an apotheosis as a collector far more spectacular than any he could have achieved by donating the whole lot to a good museum. His name probably means more to the public than Frick, Norton Simon, or Samuel Courtauld. Hirsch has the last laugh wherever he is. But was he a great collector? Certainly the medieval objects formed a superb group. In choosing them he was helped by Georg Swarzenski, the leading expert in Germany for such things, who thought he was collecting eventually, for his beloved Frankfurt museum.

When Hirsch chose on his own, the results were mixed. He obviously was not a great collector of paintings. Considering the opportunities to someone in his time with his contacts and inclinations, the paintings were a miserable lot. The drawings were much better, but just as the saleroom results were so puzzlingly inconsistent, so the drawing collection itself was a tissue of inconsistencies. Along with a dozen or so supreme sheets went several dozen more that were grossly misattributed in Hirsch's possession or else were minor and mediocre in quality. Since paintings and drawings are my field of interest, the disappointment upon arriving in London was finding that there were so few things I would really want. Again and again one thought of the opportunities open to someone who started seriously to buy in 1907.

Old friends of Hirsch's talked of how charming a man he was but also of how he was somewhat mean about money and a bargain hunter. The mystique came from the ensemble as a whole, in the house, charged with his personality. In extreme old age he seems to have become a victim of his own myth and several friends have told me that they stopped visiting him because it had become an ordeal of "paying court" and uncritically admiring instead of the easy civilized exchange it should have been.

Is there, then, any lasting lesson from all the excitements of the Hirsch week? The hunger to possess beautiful things made by great artists is stronger than ever—an ultimately laudable drive. When, however, it is exploited by too much publicity and is inflated by social pressures which have nothing to do with art, the result can be an aberration, perverting an intelligent urge to collect into a wild chase for trophies and souvenirs.

Eugene Thaw

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Clause 27: who will fight and who will run

The odious prospect of retroactive legislation is with us, and the particular example of it that has opened the prospect has already passed through the House of Commons committee stage and today or tonight will come before the whole House for final approval. As befits a matter of so shameful a nature, the original deed was done (it seems not accidentally) at approximately 4.30 am, at the end of a committee discussion which had started at approximately 1.30, thus ensuring that coverage in the press has been virtually non-existent. Well, Lady Macbeth knew that if you are going to commit murder it is best to do it at night.

> That my keen knife see not the wound it makes,
> Nor heaven peep through the blanket of the dark,
> To cry, 'Hold, hold!'

And it is not too fanciful to think of retroactive legislation as an act of murder upon the constitution and democracy. For it is the very essence of those aspects of the rule of law that are woven inextricably into our democracy that they include the first principle denied by totalitarianism: that the citizen shall always know, or at the very least have the possibility of knowing, whether what he is doing is against the law, and that, if he does something which is unquestionably lawful he shall not subsequently be punished or mulcted for doing it merely because it has been made unlawful by later legislation.

Naturally, this does not mean that no lawful act may be declared unlawful; in a sense, practically all legislation achieves this end in one way or another. But the crucial democratic principle is that the act becomes unlawful only from the passage of the new legislation; from then on, nobody may any longer do the now outlawed act, but those who did it when it was not against the law are not to be punished or otherwise to be made worse off.

Or thus, at any rate, matters have hitherto stood. But if Clause 27 of the Finance Bill goes unamended into legislative effect, they will so stand no longer. For that clause will enshrine in our law the principle that the government of the day may pass legislation under which actions which were lawful when they were done are not merely forbidden for the future but declared to have been unlawful at the time; the penalties which would have followed had the law then been broken will thereupon be applied.

Do you dream? You do not. Do I rave? On this occasion, no. What I have described is about to happen unless all the Opposition parties in the House of Commons unite to defeat it, or—in the event of defections among them—a handful of Labour MPs can be prevailed upon to put our democracy, and for that matter their own honour, before the behests of the Whips.

The matter being legislated upon is complex, but in any case is in itself unimportant. A few people have been arranging their financial affairs in such a manner as to pay less tax than if they had not so arranged them; it is agreed by all concerned, including the Government, that they have not been committing any criminal offence by so doing. Nevertheless, it has been decided that the particular activity—it involves dealings in the London commodity markets—shall no longer be allowed, and that the tax advantage in undertaking it shall be withdrawn.

That, of course, is always happening in Finance Acts: I dare say many will remember the terrible twins Bond-Washing and Asset-Stripping. And it is perfectly reasonable, though as a matter of fact it is also pointless, for legislation to be passed preventing those who have found a lawful way of paying only the tax they are legally obliged to pay from continuing to do so. (I say it is pointless because the talk about the immense sums that escape the revenue in this way is just rhetoric; seeking out the avenues and closing them probably costs more than any gain to the revenue, and in this particular instance the figure given—£200 million—is even more obviously imaginary than usual.)

If it is reprehensible for a citizen to pay no more tax than the law demands from him, or even if it isn't, I do not propose to become indignant at the thought of legislation which imposes further burdens on him by forbidding certain legal actions which he has been taking. But I do propose to become indignant at the principle that Clause 27 of the Finance Act 1978 will introduce: that a government may pick an arbitrary date in the past and collect extra tax *as though* what it had been, by common consent, then lawful, had not been. It hardly needs adding that if, in this instance, the Government may pick a date at random—it happens to be April 6, 1978—there would be nothing to stop any government picking any date at all, but merely declaring that the action to be outlawed is to be treated as though it had always been unlawful and that anybody who had indulged in it, however long ago that was to be, would suffer.

I have always found that when an honest and honourable politician behaves like a shifty and disingenuous one, the argument on which he is engaged is untenable, and he knows it. Do you remember the face of Mrs Williams as she was photographed on the Grunwick picket-line? It was the face of a democrat who has thrown in her lot with a cause supported by thugs, and is rightly ashamed of herself for so doing. And so it is with Mr Joel Barnett, one of the most upright of ministers, in whose lot it fell to be committee to defend what he knows perfectly well is indefensible.

He began, in a matter which was not in itself important but was symbolically most significant, by carefully misrepresenting Mr Powell. Mr Powell, in his speech on Clause 27, quoted Mr Barnett as having previously said that he hoped to convince Mr Powell of the rightness of the Government's case. Mr Powell then said:

> The right hon Gentleman set himself a very tough assignment. Although I shall listen with great attention to his eventual response, I think that there is little chance of his succeeding.

And now see how Mr Barnett characterized this remark when he rose to make his own speech:

> I am sorry that the right hon Member for Down, South (Mr Powell) started his remarks by indicating that his mind was closed on the matter and that there was no way in which I could convince him. I am sorry about that because I made my remarks in the House on the assumption that he might have an open mind on the mater, at least until I had spoken. But apparently that was not to be.

Unimportant, as I say, but a very pretty example of an honest man, obliged for party reasons to do what he knows to be wrong, momentarily becoming a dishonest one. Mr Powell had *not* started his remarks by indicating that his mind was closed. he had *not* said that there was no way in which Mr Barnett could convince him, and he *did not* preclude the possibility of keeping an open mind until the minister had spoken. And Mr Barnett knew that Mr Powell had not done those things.

But there was worse to come. When I sat, as I did for some years, in the Press Gallery of the House of Commons, I found that the most nauseating of all the characteristics of the speeches made by politicians with no case was the ferreting out of ancient remarks, made *in different circumstances*, by politicians on the other side, and pressing these into service. Mr Barnett, in the debate under discussion, not only did this: he did it with a quotation *from a speech made by Neville Chamberlain in 1936*, and backed this up, incidentally, by another remark made by the then Sir David Maxwell-Fyfe in 1943, and yet another by the then Sir William Jowitt in 1923.

Mr Barnett knew he was defending a clause which should not be in the Finance Bill, and which indeed should not be in any legislation whatever brought forward by a democratic government. Barnett may square h science as best he can I want to know is: happens now?

The Tories, who hav shamefully lukewarm matter, because of the of being denounced friends of tax-avoiders, the end vote against the *some* Tories, notable them Mr Tim Renton fought the clause from last, as has Mr Powell the Liberals, Mr Pardo Scottish Nationalists a to be planning to vote against it. How many Ulster Unionists Mr Po carry into the No lobby yet clear; but what *is* that it is going to be run thing.

Are there, then, *no* MPs, opposed to this u cratic and dangerous m who are willing to accordance with their I have no hopes "official" Social-Democ the Government or ou have surrendered so com on so many vital matte as I have so often sai will never now stand an but will always turn t run. Expect, therefore, Government lobby, no Mrs Williams and Mr J and Mr Dell but the army that once marche Mr Jenkins. But is ther among the more ge independent spirits wh abstain or even vote th way—or even indicate p to the Whips that they so (for such intimations lead to the immediate drawal of the retrospecti of the clause)? What ab Faulds, for instance? Ray Fletcher? Or Mr M tosh? Or Mr William Ha Or Mr Sandelson? Will and the others like th vote for the principl history may be re-writt people penalized for actions that were legal they did them, howeve ago that might have be so, the legislation will But something much important will fall.

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Human rights: is the West making the wrong approach

Four years after his resignation as Chancellor of West Germany, Herr Willy Brandt, now 64, is once again involved in all the big issues to which he devoted his years as Foreign Minister and Chancellor, cut short in 1974 by the discovery of an East German spy among his chancellery aides. On a visit to London last week to see Mr Callaghan and launch the English version of his memoirs, he appeared to be relishing the continuity provided by his three main roles: as chairman of the West German Social Democratic Party, President of the Socialist International, and chairman of the independent "Brandt" commission on international development issues.

He remains as committed as ever to reducing the human suffering caused by Europe's ideological divide; but, as he made clear in an interview with *The Times*, he has his doubts about the use of human rights as a weapon in the east-west propaganda war.

"My experience", he said, "is that certain moves in a silent manner may bring better results than to concentrate too much on campaigns that raise the question of prestige. At the same time I understand (President) Carter's position. In principle I agree that the struggle for human rights is an indivisible thing.

"We have had the experience that by not making it too much of a public challenge, you can reach some results. That may be a narrow view. But if we look from a German viewpoint at those years since the (1975) Helsinki agreement, we have made progress in bringing (German-speaking) people back from Poland, thousands and thousands from Russia, and we have more movement of people between the two German States."

Herr Brandt, who was speaking just before Soviet announcements about the trials of Messrs Shcharansky and Ginzburg, said he felt there had been some illusory ideas in the west that the Helsinki agreement meant that the communists had shown a willingness to give up their form of communism in favour of our interpretation of human rights. "I think they worked so long on the Helsinki document and made so many compromises that it lead to the danger of misinterpretation."

There was another complication. "I think one of the main dangers in the world today is that there are somewhat unclear leadership structures in both world powers", he said. "In the Soviet Union, I think questions of the succession (to Mr Brezhnev) already influence the scene. In the United States you have these differences between the White House and Congress, and also among various branches of the administration."

Herr Brandt said he did not belong to those who thought Mr Carter was a bad President. With his moralistic and religious side, he represented something very typical of the United States, "which we get from time to time". More to the point, he said, he thought we were very close to getting Salt II: rather late, it was true, since technology had already by-passed it. And despite all the excitement over Africa, the United States had announced that it would send a mission to Angola.



Herr Brandt back to the big issues.

Herr Brandt has been much cheered by the return of democracy to Greece, Spain and Portugal in the last two cases. "Very much against what some of the pessimists said, that he would go communist". He advocates a programme of solidarity with southern Europe: if the prosperous EEC countries speeded up the economic development and infrastructure of Spain and Portugal, it would make them better EEC partners when they enter, and help us, too, he said.

"I think the example of Spain will have great importance for developments in certain parts of Latin America; especially as the military has seen that you can, as they have done in Spain develop a democratic system and still leave the military with a say and a responsible role in society. It is not what we are accustomed to—we expect our soldiers to keep out of politics—but to these countries it may be important, that there is a balance between these two."

As for the future dialogue between industrialized and developing countries, in which he is now so involved, Herr Brandt saw the recognition of a "mutuality of interest", or joint responsibility, as an important factor in promoting co-operation rather than confrontation, superseding the concept of aid. Happily he has found a growing number of responsible people in both "north" and "south" who realize their economic futures depended on each other.

"They are interested in a certain stability of commodity prices. We are interested in a certain stability in getting our commodities." The developing countries were also interested in some link between the price of our exports to them—much subject to inflation—and of their exports to us. It was quite an impressive argument when President Nyerere of Tanzania said he had to sell three times more sisal now than 10 years ago to buy one tractor. He believed one answer might be to take more seriously the trade arrangements between the three or four distinct categories of developing countries. The industralized and "Take-off" or threshold countries, like Brazil or South Korea, should get together to help develop the poorest ones.

With all these commitments, would he still be standing for the European Parliament in next year's first direct elections? "I'm afraid I will have to", he sighed. "Frankly speaking, I did not belong to those who were very enthusiastic about direct elections. My party always was, but I didn't share the view entirely." He had not believed an indirectly elected parliament was not a proper one, and felt its should first be enlarge the decision having taken, largely because th could then agree on c else, he felt it should be seriously and help to p greater unity.

Since saying he would last year, he had com himself to three years as dent of the Socialist national, and to the cha ship of the commission velopment issues whos cluding report he wo having to oversee duri election campaign next mer. On top of that, chairman of the SPD t least half his time, and take it all, involving as both political plannin administration.

Busy though he is, h that since cutting out m mal dinners, he has a bi time for reading and hi ily: the elder two of his sons are respectively an as lecturer in history at We lin's university and a p He never gives a thou what life might be like he still Chancellor. "I'm peasant who is doing his He doesn't look over his der. He looks ahead." I asked to look back an point what gave him satisfaction as Chancellc says reluctantly: "I still I would say that the e ence that the name of many was identified peace to the extent that has given me the most sa tion. This has not always so, as you know," the Peace Prize winner added a smile.

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CHINA DIARY

Foreign cyclists in Peking turn to jogging

Peking often acts as a mirror of fashionable western fads. Not for the Chinese people, of course, their most modish self-indulgence just now is the frizzy permanent wave for women, commented on by many recent visitors. But western crazes imported by the diplomatic community appear the more incongruous against the relatively austere backdrop.

Many of them seem to have to do with means of locomotion, and the latest—jogging—is no exception. A few years ago the great thing for foreigners in Peking was cycling.

Virtually everyone, from ambassadors down, rushed to buy bicycles and go pedalling round the back-alleys, while the more energetic spirits made a point of cycling to the Summer Palace and back. Then it was frisbee games at the Ming tombs, and this year a skateboard was sighted on the Great Wall, ridden by an intrepid American child.

It seems that cycling by foreigners is now on the wane (I always thought it an overrated pastime in such a spread-out city)—while jogging is in. You can tell when a jogger is in the offing by the sudden craning of necks among the Chinese passers-by: then a perspiring, panting foreigner lumbers past in pursuit of health and vigour.

Apart from the jogging, foreigners' occupations in Peking do not seem to have changed much, except that the choice of activities is becoming wider as the more absurd restrictions imposed by the "gang of four" regime are lifted.

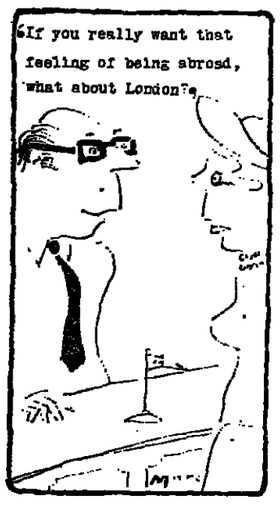
The beautiful Pei Hai park, closed for some six years, has again become one of the chief leisure attractions for foreigners and Chinese alike. Not least because of the fine restaurant where one of the oldest employees is said to have been trained in the former Imperial kitchens.

One casualty of the "gang of four" period which has not been rehabilitated is the old Peace Café in central Peking, where it was once possible for ordinary Chinese residents to enjoy the exotica of Western cuisine. An extraordinary number of people used to take advantage of its existence to eat toast, schnitzels and ice cream sundaes.

But it was closed in 1975 on the ground that it was structurally unsound, though many people suspected a political motive in view of the xenophobia of the previous year.

Peking's citizenry can now eat Western food of a sort only at the so-called Russian restaurant near the zoo, where we once bought the last remaining bottle of 1958 Stolichnaya vodka (and still have it).

One of the biggest changes in Peking is the influx of foreign tourists. At the big friendship store in the diplomatic quarter, residents trying to shop for their next meal are often swamped by the floods of trippers. The big buses roll up one after the other, disgorging avid Japanese women who dash frantically to the top floor of the store, before pausing to decide what they actually want to buy.



From a policy of permitting hardly any foreign tourism, except in the guise of "delegations", the Chinese authorities have changed to one of encouraging tourists to the greatest possible extent, limitations being imposed only by the shortage of hotels and guides.

The Great Wall of China, which used to be accessible only after a rather hair-raising drive through the foothills on the fringe of Mongolia, can now be reached by comfortable train-ride.

Dozens of cities and historic sites, previously closed to foreigners, are being flung open. However, the majority of visitors are still confined to a few repetitive itineraries taking in Peking, Shanghai, Hangchow, Soochow, Nanking, Canton and Kweilin.

Special places in each city are designated areas for foreign visitors, so that I know someone who has been three times to the same industrial housing estate in Shanghai—somewhat to the embarrassment of the residents, who are no longer "fiercely criticizing" Mr Teng Hsiao-ping, who has since been rehabilitated, and is now Deputy Prime Minister.

The small irritants of life in Peking continue to give the foreign community something to talk about: the irrationality of the traffic police, the derelictions of napping lift operators in the blocks of flats, the incurable rudeness of the attendants at one particular counter in the Friendship Store.

The butt of many an anecdote is the Foreign Ministry's diplomatic service bureau, which has the unenviable task of keeping the foreigners and their families supplied with everything from gas cookers to chauffeurs.

The lastest sin laid at the bureau's door is its inability to deal with the rodents sometimes seen in the flats. One diplomat, I learn, took a dead rat round to the bureau to support his complaint about infestation, and was received with a knowing smile and the comment: "Ah yes, a foreign rat."

A welcome feature is the gradual liberalization of cultural life. Where previously the approach of evening brought no prospect more exciting than a dinner party, there is the choice of an interesting film revival on the television, a visiting symphony orchestra, or a variety show at the theatre. It is still slim pickings for culture vultures, but it is something.

European novel rediscovered

The modest liberalization is equally heartening for Chinese intellectuals and students, who are being permitted to read more foreign works of literature again. The authorities in charge of publishing still consider that much Western literature is decadent and harmful, but feel it is all right for Chinese readers to "face up to it" provided a preface explains how it should be viewed.

It transpires that many intellectuals in China thought that Western literature ended with the First World War and the passing away of figures such as Ibsen and Stoy. Now they are being that there is much "be literature". The Eur novel is, however, still the to suffer from too much " travail of personal resist and love as supreme".

New year turn into 'round eg

Not all change in Chin for the better, and whether latest script reform is an provement is still fiercely troversial. A few months the difficult task of simp ing the chinese wr characters was taken a further with the trial intro tion of new abbreviated fo

Even many people who accepted the need for limited reforms introduced the 1950s balked at some the new writing. The Taiwan press in Hongkong mented sarcastically that character for "face" was lacking all features, and "N Year's Day" was henceforth be written with the s characters as the phr "a round egg".

A leading Peking newspa has printed an unusually fr critique of the reform, say that it confuses rather th simplifies, and points out t people will have to go learning the old characte anyway, because they are in all books printed before reform.

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SICKNESS OF THE HEALTH SERVICE

The assembled representatives of the medical profession gave a solid rumble of approval in Cardiff yesterday when their chairman, Dr James Cameron, referred to the British Medical Association's decision not to cooperate in the Department of Health's celebrations for the thirtieth anniversary of the National Health Service. It was no time for junketings, Dr Cameron dourly suggested, when standards were rapidly deteriorating, service was impersonal and inadequate, and the idealism of those who provided it was being dissipated by lack of resources. The birthday celebrations have indeed gone off lamely. The hoped-for pact among NHS workers renouncing industrial action harmful to patients remained unsigned.

Throughout its thirty years the NHS has been so endlessly the object of recriminations that it is always difficult to put any new cries of woe into proportion. Dr Cameron's address was strongly reminiscent of many such addresses in the past, but that is not to say that his assessment was mistaken. The problems of the service are indeed deep and intractable, and they have existed for many years. It may be too colourful to speak in general terms of rapidly deteriorating standards, but there are parts of the hospital service where the universal shortage of money (aggravated by a redistribution of resources based on insufficiently subtle assessments of needs) is having just such an effect. Where industrial relations in the service are concerned, Dr Cameron's judgment is perfectly fair. There have been more damaging disputes in other years, but never so many bizarre and irresponsible ones.

Every group involved in the service has a surfeit of grievances. Practical solutions are harder to come by. Because the NHS was a pioneering venture launched with high hopes, there is a tendency to blame all our ills on its special nature. But comparison with other countries shows that many of our own difficulties are widely shared. All developed nations are finding it difficult to cope with the seemingly inexhaustible growth in demand for medical care that accompanies growing national wealth. Some of them look with some envy towards Britain, where health spending has risen not much faster than gross national product over the years.

Dr Cameron chose to attack on precisely that point. Most other European countries, he pointed out, spend 7 per cent or 8 per cent of their gnp on health, while we spend only 6 per cent—"if we had 7 per cent it would still perhaps not be enough". He faltered over the "perhaps", as well he might. It is altogether certain that it would not be enough. Nobody who recalls the early 1970s, when the proportion of gnp spent on health services did rise by a comparable amount in just a matter of months without any discernible effect on services or morale should be pretending that such a crude measure is appropriate.

Of course it is true that large sums of money could very profitably be spent, especially on capital projects in the hospital sector (more modestly conceived than the extravagant efforts initiated in the optimistic 1960s). Naturally everyone looks forward yearningly to the time when financial restrictions can be eased. But it would be deplorable if "7 per cent of gnp" became a political parrot cry, regardless of efficiency—and regardless, too, of whether Britain ought to spend as high a proportion as more prosperous countries on an investment that is not directly productive.

Dr Cameron mercifully laid little weight on one theme that appears as a matter of routine in most NHS lamentations—the cumbersome burden of the new administrative structure. Once again, international comparisons make Britain look relatively lightly supplied with bureaucrats, though there is still scope for economies. The chief fault of the new structure is its extravagant devotion to the principle of consultation on all matters great and small, but the demand for participation will not disappear. A recent report by the Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service confirmed that despite these elaborate procedures industrial relations arrangements in the NHS are in many ways extremely primitive. Doctors are too often disposed to think that matters outside direct medical competence are not their business.

There should be a clearer distinction made between matters great and matters small. There should be fuller joint consultation at a national level on broad policy between all groups involved in the NHS, and far fuller dissemination of the details down to the district or even hospital level (ideally with a mechanism to allow for each sector to benefit from its own thrift). Unless clarity is restored to the administrative structure, grievances between interest groups, and also a sense of helpless alienation which feeds on itself, will continue to sap the morale of the service, even if it devours 7, 8 or 10 per cent of gnp.

THE NEW YORK COUNTER ATTACK

Anybody who attacks a strongly defended area must expect resistance. He must also expect the defenders to use the weapons in which they have been trained. Nobody should be surprised, therefore, that attempts to cut down the British Information Service in New York have run into volleys of publicity. This is not in itself a bad thing as there are important questions involved which deserve public attention. What is unfortunate is that some of the issues are being exploited with more zeal than they are being examined.

The Government propose to cut down the staff of the BIS from 68 to about half that number. The cut was recommended by inspectors of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office as part of a general review of Britain's overseas representation. They also proposed that the summary of the British press which originates from the BBC and is distributed by the BIS should go out only once or twice a week instead of daily. These cuts have been enthusiastically backed by Mr Peter Jay, the British Ambassador in Washington, who is now accused of wanting to impose a kind of political censorship by cutting out the distribution of non-governmental material.

This particular accusation is unfair. Mr Jay is not a political commissar who wants the press to be fed only with pro-government material. He is a former journalist with an independent mind who was often highly critical of the Government. Like many journalists, however, he tends to be robustly critical of public relations officers. He believes that they exist mainly to give out basic information, and in the case of government bodies this means official texts, facts and speeches. It is then up to journalists, he believes, to digest and analyse this material and make up their own minds what to think of it.

This approach is appropriate for journalists on metropolitan newspapers with access to many other sources of information and ideas. But the argument for distributing a summary of the British press around the United States is that it reaches large numbers of smaller papers and locally influential people who do not have the resources or the time to acquaint themselves by other means with the variety and flavour of British affairs. It is important that these people understand and sympathize with Britain because local politics have a very direct influence on national politics in the United States. They are likely to acquire more interest and understanding from a summary of diverse news and comment than from primary sources requiring relatively expert evaluation. The principle of pluralism in information should, therefore, be maintained. But it can probably be maintained perfectly well on a twice-weekly basis.

Whether the BIS itself can be just as effective at half its present strength is a question which ought to be argued out before the public whose interests it is representing. The office receives a good deal of praise in New York, and it carries out many functions the benefits of which cannot be measured in the short term. Nevertheless, there are few government offices which would not benefit from pruning, so the initial presumption must be that the inspectors are right. If the embattled staff wish to fight for survival they need to be somewhat more careful in their choice of weapons. The issue is not primarily a matter of personalities.

ANOTHER 'SUICIDE' IN A SOUTH AFRICAN JAIL

It does not seem to have taken very long for the South African police to have recovered from the Steve Biko affair, if, that is, they were ever discommoded by it. Yet another detainee has "committed suicide" while in police custody. Whether Mr Tabalaza was helped to fall out of the fifth floor window of police headquarters in Port Elizabeth or genuinely jumped out, does not make much difference. If he killed himself, as the police say, it could have been for no other reason than as a response to his ill-treatment at the hands of his interrogators. Following the sickening revelations coming out of the Biko inquest, it is no longer possible to give the police any benefit of doubt. Mr Tabalaza was either pushed, or had reached the limits of his physical or mental endurance, and chose to die rather than continue his torment.

Mr Jimmy Kruger, South Africa's Minister of Justice, has ordered an inquiry. The same Mr Kruger's public utterances and general conduct after the death of Biko were of a degree of disgrace that, in any country claiming to apply civilized standards of political behaviour, would have swiftly resulted in his removal from office. Far from that happening, he was strongly supported by his prime minister, Mr Vorster, and emerged with his political stock enhanced. Any inquiry instituted by him has as much chance of achieving an objective conclusion as the inquest on Steve Biko had of reaching a just verdict. Mr Kruger's appointment earlier this year of two officials to act as watchdogs over the condition of detainees held by the police was an equally empty gesture as was the introduction of new rules aimed, not so much at stopping police brutality but, as it was put, to stop detainees committing suicide. Mr Tabalaza's death was unusual in that he was not, it seems, detained under the savage anti-terrorism laws, which allows people to be kept incomunicado, without trial, virtually indefinitely. That shows merely that the police's barbarity is not discriminate.

It is possible, although difficult to believe, that the South African Government does not realize the practical consequences of the harm that is done to its image by such cases. At a time when the nervous state of the sub-continent's political situation should be pressing Mr Vorster to do everything possible to improve relations with other governments, he blatantly, almost approvingly, allows his police to continue their acts of cruelty. The government either does not appreciate, or is indifferent to, the fact that every death in detention more than undoes any favourable attention which some of its more positive actions (and there have been some, in the partial dismantlement of the more obnoxious "petty apartheid" rules) attract. Other governments do not want to be on the worst of terms with South Africa. It is not in their self-interest. They are being forced to it by the South African Government's own behaviour. It is difficult to see that any information gained through ill-treating detainees can compensate for the international opprobrium which such conduct inevitably entails.

Sierra Leone community

From the Sierra Leone Acting High Commissioner

Sir, Please allow me the courtesy on your columns to comment on some of the points raised by Mr Kenneth Mackenzie in his article "Shadow over Sierra Leone"—published in *The Times* of Wednesday, June 28.

I think Mr Mackenzie's concern about the "education and civilization of the Creoles in the coming difficult times for Sierra Leone" as the author puts it, appears unnecessary and betrays an element of colonial paternalism in Mr Mackenzie's thinking.

It is also rather odd that the author should speak of the Creoles as a kind of tourist attraction. This they are certainly not, but rather they constitute a vital part of the Sierra Leone community. Putting together all the author's references and inferences about the Creoles one notices an apparent ignorance of the basic fact about the structure and the development of Sierra Leone society as a whole.

Admittedly Sierra Leone, like many other African countries, has a minority tribal society and has had some of the undesirable experience associated with such a state of affairs.

Fortunately, perhaps Sierra Leone's experience with the minority tribal arrangements has been unique to the extent that tribalism is now rarely if at all considered a major part of our general problems. Certainly there is no evidence in recent times in Sierra Leone's history that any minority of which indeed there are several in the country, has been persecuted or discriminated against.

This is perhaps one of the main reasons why Sierra Leone's change over to a one-party system of Government was so remarkably smooth and painless. And the transition of the country into a one-party form of Government was primarily inspired by the desire to clear away the shadow (if Mr Mackenzie will allow the reference) that had so long hung over Sierra Leone, namely the veritable prospect of the disintegration of the country into tribal divisive groups in the tussle for political power. Mr Mackenzie's reference to the Creoles in this context can only therefore be seen as a mischievous attempt to raise spectres where none exist.

The task the people and Government of Sierra Leone have now embarked upon is to build a cohesive and stable society to which every group in the country has a right and is expected to contribute.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Press service in New York

From Commander Sir Robert Jackson

Sir, On the front page of *The Times* of July 8, there is a report from New York indicating that the BIS's bulletin *Today's British Papers* may be abolished, and that in future the role of the BIS may be restricted "to relaying ministerial speeches and other strictly pro-government information". This report is placed immediately above a photograph of Miss Martina Navratilova after winning the women's singles at Wimbledon.

In *The Times* of July 10, we are informed that the official press in Czechoslovakia "buried the news" of her victory. In retrospect, the juxtaposition of the article and the photograph could not have been more appropriate.

In New York, we are inundated with a flood of official publications from international and governmental organizations, most of which is never read. There is one striking exception, however, and that is *Today's British Papers*. In my own experience, it is read—and read carefully—not only by large numbers of editors and journalists but also by many members of delegations to the United Nations and other officials in positions of influence. The bulletin has a well deserved reputation for objectivity and balance in the selection of its extracts from British papers and always gives a clear impression of current public opinion in Britain.

In contrast, the "Policy Statements" made by individual Ministers, also circulated by the BIS, appear to make little, if any, impact.

I agree completely with the letters published in today's *The Times* (July 10) from Lord Gore-Booth and Sir Peter Hayman, especially where the former writes that "the service was regarded as daily evidence that Britain was a living free democracy not afraid to expose impartially opinion of all kinds". I believe that this particular service in the United States, like the BBC's Overseas Services all over the world is, if anything, held in higher regard today than ever before, and I therefore hope that the British Government will ensure that *Today's British Papers* continues in the future exactly as it has done in the past.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
R. G. A. JACKSON,
Le Richemond,
Jardin Brunswick,
1211 Geneva 1.
July 10.

From Mr D. G. Barr

Sir, If, as is generally accepted, the press of this country is, on the whole, hostile to the Labour movement, in or out of government, the two former directors of the British Information Service in New York, whose letters you publish today (July 10), must have been propagating a Tory point of view with their *Today's British Press*; this is not the impartiality normally claimed by civil servants.

It must also be wasteful of BIS resources and our money, for them to be used to provide to the United States press points of view they could easily come by, if they so wished it, by tuning in to the BBC. The uninterested are as notoriously fruitless as preaching targets as the converted, as is only too obvious in the treatment accorded Britain in much of the United States press now, as for many years in the past.

Mr Jay may not be too far wrong.

Yours faithfully,
D. G. BARR,
4 Wattles Wish Cottages,
Battle,
Sussex.

Boycotting the Olympics

From Mr and Mrs Torquil Norman

Sir, The thought that we shall soon be sending British athletes to the 1980 Moscow Olympics is almost unbearable in the light of the Soviet cruelty against their dissidents.

Britain should pull out of these Games and set an example to the rest of the world.

Yours faithfully,
TORQUIL NORMAN,
ANNE NORMAN,
24 Avenue Road, NW8.

From Mr Andrew Boff

Sir, One presumes that when Mr Rhodes Boyson proposes that the Western democratic states should boycott the Olympic Games in Moscow, he also thinks we should not attend such events in Chile, Argentina, South Korea, Iran and all the other dictatorships which form the majority of the world's nations.

Yours sincerely,
ANDREW BOFF,
28 Cedars Drive,
Hillingdon,
Middlesex.

Atrocities in Rhodesia

From Mr Richard H. Amis

Sir, In his letter to you today (July 6) The Reverend Dr Ernest Payne refers to "*guerrilla reprisals*" (my italics). Logic compels me to the conclusion that he, therefore, believes that the security forces must have *initiated* the atrocities. I wonder if this *Alice in Wonderland* inside-out approach represents the official view of the British Council of Churches and World Council of Churches? I hope not; for as I and many others well know the exact reverse is the case: the wave of atrocities which are now such a sickening feature of the news coming out of Rhodesia was initiated many years ago by terrorists and bandits.

I am therefore all the more inclined to accept the accuracy of Ronald Butt's article (June 29). I also wholeheartedly support the sentiments expressed in Sir Martin Le Quesne's most sensible letter, also in today's *The Times*.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD H. AMIS,
The Georgian House,
Ripley,
Woking,
Surrey.

The Throne's relationship to the Church

From Bishop E. L. Evans

Sir, I am surprised that no one seems to have thought it worth while to remind the Roman Catholic Archbishop Winning that we already have a Catholic on the throne. Her Majesty the Queen, as a member of the Church of England, which is the Catholic Church of this land, is a Catholic as her predecessors have been. The Faith to which the letters FID.DEF. refer is the Catholic Faith.

Archbishop Winning should have complained about an alleged insult to Roman Catholics. Unfortunately the media encourage the error that Catholic and Roman Catholic are synonymous. The Book of Common Prayer which sets forth the special Anglican interpretation of the Catholic Faith does not contain the word "Protestant", which is the opposite not of "Catholic" but of "Papist".

I am, Sir, Yours faithfully,
✠ LEWIS EVANS,
Bungalow 1, Terry's Cross,
Brighton Road,
Henfield,
West Sussex.
July 9.

From Mr A. D. G. Webb

Sir, The excitement which followed the address of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to the Salvation Army has merely served to show how right he was. Religious affairs in England have not changed much, except in degree, since the Reformation. The extremists continue to hate one another for the love of God: and the rest of the Christian population try to love one another for hate of the Devil.

Your's faithfully,
A. D. G. WEBB,
Cowleaze Paddock,
Hartham,
Nr Corsham,
Wiltshire.
July 9.

From Mr D. G. Layton

Sir, It appears from the voluminous correspondence in your columns that, basically, Prince Michael could not marry Baroness von Reibnitz in a Roman Catholic church because of Catholic insistence that any children of the marriage must be brought up as Catholics; and that he could not marry her in an Anglican church because she was a divorcee.

The Catholic insistence seems to me, as a layman, to be an undesirable violation of the freedom of husband and wife to bring up their children in whatever Christian faith they agree between themselves to be best. (I cannot believe that the Reverend Patrick Ryall (July 7) is right in saying that the marriage could have taken place had both partners been willing to promise to do their best to bring up their children in their own fairhs—thus apparently leaving unresolved an important question which must, in fact, have already been decided between them.)

The Anglican prohibition seems to me to assume, wrongly because it is contrary to all the teaching of Jesus, that there is one sin—the breaking of a marriage vow—that the God of love will never forgive.

The outcome, in my view, reflects no credit on either church.

Yours faithfully,
D. G. LAYTON,
33 Cranborne Avenue,
Eastbourne,
East Sussex.
July 10.

From Miss Bridget Ceeney

Sir, Re the arguments back and forth on the Pope's refusal to allow a Church wedding to Prince Michael and his bride, may I put forward my point of view? I am a Roman Catholic of sixty, of very average intelligence, and I would be very upset had the Pope done otherwise. I am very perturbed by the incessant easement of the Roman Catholic rules in their endeavour to meet the Anglicans.

Our martyrs died for their faith in defiance of Henry VIII and I feel that if we wish to be of the Roman Catholic community we must accept the rules of that faith whatever our station in the secular world.

I have the greatest respect for the rights of everyone to worship as he believes in his heart is correct. As far as I know every religion has its rules and discipline—otherwise we would all be in a worse shambles than we are.

Yours sincerely,
BRIDGET CEENEY,
10 Millward Crescent,
Hastings,
Sussex.
July 4.

From Mr Scott Hill-Reid

Sir, All this talk of dogma reminds me of an incident when I was a young subaltern serving with my regiment in Mesopotamia. At a time when the conditions were more than usually awful a notice appeared in orders saying that an Anglican bishop from India was to make us a visit. This piece of news was met with amusement, if not indifference. His lordship, however, was offered such hospitality as was possible, and his church parades attended with interest.

On the last day of his stay he decided to celebrate Holy Communion behind a dolled-up mess table. As we were about to make the hazardous crossing of the Tigris in order to recapture Kut, the idea had a certain appeal. Our chaplain was a quiet, unassuming young Methodist minister, respected and loved by everyone from the colonel down. Uninhibited by dogma, and an earnest Christian, he shyly asked the bishop to allow him to partake. This was refused. His lordship left, taking with him the disgust and anger of the regiment; while we young officers began to wonder what this organized religion really meant.

Yours faithfully,
SCOTT HILL-REID,
Chantry Place,
Marden,
Kent.
July 8.

Fast nuclear reactor

From Dr W. Marshall, FRS

Sir, The quality of the nuclear debate would be improved if contributors paid more attention to facts. I do not agree with the opinions expressed by Professor Rotblat in his letter published on June 20, but he is entitled to give them. However, when he writes that the fast reactor promotes the proliferation of nuclear weapons he is, in my opinion, incorrect and it is factually incorrect for him to state that, ". . . for this reason the Americans have decided to halt further development on their fast breeder" and that "It is for this reason that the International Nuclear Fuel Cycle Evaluation programme was set up".

The facts actually are as follows: The American Government continues to spend on the sodium cooled fast breeder a sum of money which dwarfs the money spent on this system in any western country. It is only a part of their programme, the outdated Clinch River Project, which is halted.

The INFCE programme was not set up because of the use of plutonium in fast reactors. The most succinct and authoritative statement I can find is by Joseph Nye, a senior official of the State Department concerned with non-proliferation, and he says in *Foreign Affairs*, April, 1978: "Consequently, we carefully avoided criticism of other countries' breeder reactor research and development programmes. We believed that there was time to develop information, technology and institutions for a safer fuel cycle before breeders became commercially competitive. On the other hand, recycling plutonium for use in light water reactors represented a clear and present danger, with at best marginal economic advantages. By challenging assumptions about recycling while keeping an open position on the breeder reactors, the Administration sought to buy time and to focus on an area where a consensus might be developed."

This statement makes it absolutely clear that the prime concern of the US is the recycle of plutonium into thermal reactors—which we in the UK have never planned or seriously contemplated.

It is, of course, true that the American Administration has views on reprocessing which some of us do not share, that at present they argue that the fast reactor is not urgent and that their views might change either way. However, both the statements made by Professor Rotblat, which I have quoted above, are incorrect.

Yours faithfully,
W. MARSHALL,
Deputy Chairman, United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority,
11 Charles II Street, SW1.
July 5.

Events in Cambodia

From Mr Malcolm Caldwell

Sir, Bernard Levin's column "The evil that men do and the men who call it good" (*The Times*, May 10) epitomizes the tactic that the Western media ("state propaganda machine" in Chomsky's phrase) consistently use in trying to suppress open and informed discussion about Democratic Kampuchea (the official name, incidentally, used at the United Nations—not, as Mr Levin seems to imagine, a coining of mine). Anyone who points out, on the basis of irrefutable factual evidence, that something derogatory said about Kampuchea is untrue is condemned *on that basis alone* as virtually the equivalent of an apologist for Stalinism or Nazism.

Mr Levin makes a number of unsubstantiated assertions about Kampuchea, interspersed with three unidentified quotations. The accuracy and authenticity of these have to be accepted on his authority alone, for he offers neither corroboration nor source. Political, moral and scholarly integrity hinge, however, upon unquestioning acceptance of the general picture of Kampuchea thus presented. Anyone who does call one or another aspect of this view into question is branded as comparable to a Mr Butz who denies that the Nazis exterminated Jews. It follows that were I to point out errors of fact an interpretation in Mr Levin's caricature I would simply be making things worse for myself. I am, nevertheless, submitting to *The Times* with this letter a detailed critique in the form of an article.

There are other, wider, considerations. Mr Levin was, throughout the long war, an uncritical supporter of American intervention and aggression in Indochina—something which detracts from the plausibility of his new pose as an impartial judge of unassailable moral stature entitled to question and condemn the motives of others. Moreover, his methods surely smack much more of Stalinism and fascism than do my attempts to query the infallibility of the prevailing state orthodoxy. Indeed it is easy to picture a transmogrified Mr Levin meting out—from the perspective of another orthodoxy—similar treatment in *Pravda* to Soviet dissenters, crushing with heavy sarcasm their isolated and stifled efforts to challenge official wisdom.

I do not, of course, expect the court jester of the English Establishment to show sympathy for the Asian revolution which will, in the fullness of time (and in the not too distant future, either), complete the eclipse and final extinction of Western imperialism, with all that that will entail for the power and privileges of our present ruling elites. But I do, perhaps naively, expect some lingering respect for truth, even if uncomfortable to Establishment prejudices and preconceptions and corrosive of state propaganda.

I am, Sir, yours sincerely,
MALCOLM CALDWELL,
Department of History,
School of Oriental and African Studies,
Malet Street, WC1.

Currency initiative at Bremen

From Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, MP for Kensington (Conservative)

Sir, David Blake's account of the Treasury's contemptuous reaction to the Bremen currency initiative on your front page today (July 11) gives an embarrassing impression—which unhappily there seems no reason to doubt—of the indifference and stupidity which our friends on the continent, working on the details of the proposals, must have had to suffer from their British colleagues. The Treasury is clearly enraged that it has now been bypassed; but the rest of us, reflecting what a deplorable mess has been made of the management of sterling in the 30 years since the Treasury took over the Bank of England, can only be thankful that progress is being made in spite of official British insularity and intransigence.

There are of course many important questions to which the answers still have to be clarified such as the criteria on which changes in central rates are to be agreed; the ways in which the independence of the new currency system can be protected from political interference; and how the Germans, without stimulating a new inflation of the mark, can act in such a way as to help the economies of their trading partners by capital transfers and guarantees. One might have hoped that in working on these issues our officials could have made a useful contribution, but they seem to have fallen below the level of events. There are challenges for Britain in participating in a new monetary agreement of this magnitude, but the greatest danger to our hopes of economic revival is that our official negotiators, through arrogance and pique, will contrive to keep us out of it.

Yours faithfully,
BRANDON RHYS-WILLIAMS,
House of Commons.

Enforcing Saudi laws

From Sir Gerald Fitzmaurice, QC

Sir, I have only recently seen on returning from abroad the letter from Mr James Mayall which appeared in *The Times* on Friday, June 30. I am not concerned with Mr Mayall's principal thesis, but there is one passage I feel I must comment on, where he asks on what grounds we are to condemn any regime for its violations of human rights "or indeed to accept the judgment of the European Court against our own failures".

The short answer is that we are bound to accept its judgments whether we like them or not, because we have signed and ratified the European Convention on Human Rights setting up the Court and have also made a special declaration accepting what is known as the "right of individual petition" whereby governments parties to the Convention may have proceedings brought against them by their own nationals. There is no escape from these obligations short of a total withdrawal from participation in the Convention.

Yours faithfully,
G. G. FITZMAURICE,
Judge of the European Court of Human Rights, Strasbourg,
3 Gray's Inn Square, WC1.

The real deterrent

From Mr Roger A. Bowles

Sir, Mr Rusbridger (July 6) is surely mistaken in asserting that it is purely the probability of capture that deters potential criminals. This is rather like arguing that a gambler is concerned with the probability of winning a bet, but not with the size of amount that he stands to win. The prospective criminal faces a deterrent that is the product of a number of elements: the probability of capture, the probability of conviction once caught and finally the likely severity of the penalty imposed. Changes in any one of these elements might be expected to alter the volume of criminal activity.

Yours sincerely,
ROGER A. BOWLES,
6 Waldeck Road,
Carrington, Nottingham.

Achievements of GLC

From Mr Robert Vigars

Sir, Do we not cry stinking fish too often? Sir Frank Marshall tells us that "the GLC has forfeited the confidence of the public". But ask any Londoner in which city of the world he would choose to live and most will reply "London". Ask any tourist which city of the world he most wishes to visit and London will be at the top of his list.

And who has provided this city with its incomparable South Bank arts centre, many of its major open spaces, its public transport system, its freedom from pollution? Who has ensured the conservation of its historic buildings? Whence came its computer controlled system of traffic lights, its parking controls and its traffic management? Are these things done better in Tokyo, Rome, Paris or New York? And as we read of the recurring financial crises rocking Rome and New York, do we not say thankfully and rightly that it could never happen here.

Of course London's government can be improved and the Marshall report will help to achieve that, but let us also be allowed to take a proper pride in what has been achieved so far.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT VIGARS,
Members' Lobby, County Hall, SE1.

Average weather

From Professor E. R. Braybrooke

Sir, On this, my third extended visit to England in 13 years, I have reached the conclusion that, contradictory as it may seem, the average temperature is always below average, the average rainfall always above average, and the average hours of sunshine always less than average.

Yours faithfully,
E. R. BRAYBROOKE,
19 Park Close, Oxford.

Reluctant pioneer
Georgina Battiscombe
The life of Elizabeth Wordsworth.
'Sympathetic, light and amiably detached' Mary Warnock, *Sunday Telegraph*. 'Quite delightful . . . has the liveliness and ardour which Elizabeth herself inspired' David Williams, *The Times*.
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'We are not likely to see any compendium of Parliament in these 25 years that will challenge in readability, accuracy and shrewdness, the judgements of Mr Shrapnel makes on his star cast' Harold Lever, *Guardian*. £4.95

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Ronald Hayman
'A very good book . . . the most comprehensive critical study of de Sade in English, the most impressively researched biography' Angela Carter, *Guardian*. £6.95

The 100 years war
Desmond Seward
'Highly readable survey of 116 years of Anglo-French history' E. R. Chamberlin, *Daily Telegraph*.
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The rise of the plutocrats
Jamie Camplin
Wealth and power in Edwardian England.
Illustrated, £6.95 (17 July)

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Nocturne: a life of Chopin
Ruth Jordan
The first detailed study in English for nearly 40 years. Illustrated, £6.95 (17 July)

Gentleman of the road
Charles Ackerman Berry
A fascinating insight into the art of survival – adrift on the road without money, friends or home. £4.50

The last great wild beast show
Bill Jordan & Stefan Ormrod
'The first detailed critical appraisal of British zoos' John A. Burton, *New Scientist*. 'Excellent . . . a disturbing and well-informed survey' Selina Hastings, *Daily Telegraph*.
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Mrs Mulvaney
Hilary Bailey
'One of the most intelligent, perceptive and witty (novels) that I have read for many a long day' Mary Hope, *Spectator*. £4.50

Listening to Billie
Alice Adams
'The portrayal of Eliza is brilliant. The balance between introspection and action is perfect . . . A cool and elegant book' Peter Tinniswood, *The Times*. 'Thoroughly enjoyable' Auberon Waugh, *Evening Standard*. £4.25

The swords of December
Robert York
The dramatic story of Thomas Becket, the heretic who became Archbishop and died a ritual death at Canterbury. £4.95

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 11: Mr J. S. R. Duncan was received in audience by The Queen this morning upon his appointment as British High Commissioner to the Bahamas.

Mrs Duncan had the honour of being received by Her Majesty.

Mr John Clifford Strong was received in audience by The Queen upon his appointment as Governor of Turks and Caicos Islands.

Mrs Strong had the honour of being received by Her Majesty.

His Excellency Mr Turgut Menemencioglu and Madame Menemencioglu were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Turkish Republic to the Court of St James's.

Mr J. G. Doubleday was received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands upon his appointment as Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Monrovia.

Mrs Doubleday had the honour of being received by The Queen.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh this afternoon visited the Cadet Training Centre at Frimley Park, Surrey (Commandant, Colonel T. D. Lloyd-Jones).

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received upon arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Surrey (the Lord Hamilton of Dalzell) and the Director of Volunteers, Territorials and Cadets; Chairman of the Board of Governors, Cadet Training Centre (Major-General J. H. Foster).

The Marchioness of Abergavenny, Mr Robert Fellowes, Air Vice-Marshal Brian Stanbridge and Lieutenant-Commander Robert Guy, RN, were in attendance.

The Right Hon James Callaghan, MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) had an audience of The Queen this evening.

The Duke of Edinburgh attended a dinner, cabaret at the Lakeside Country Club, Surrey, in aid of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme.

Captain Charles Wiggin was in attendance.

The Prince of Wales, Duke of Rothesay, arrived in Edinburgh in the Royal Train this morning.

His Royal Highness visited the Edinburgh College of Art and opened the new buildings of Leith Nautical College.

The Prince of Wales addressed the annual conference of the Association of Navigation Schools and was entertained at luncheon.

This afternoon, His Royal Highness, Chairman, visited Silver Jubilee Projects which have received grants from The Queen's Silver Jubilee Trust Fund at the Theatre Workshop, Hamilton Place, Stockbridge, Edinburgh.

The Prince of Wales later returned to Heathrow Airport, London, in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

CLARENCE HOUSE
July 11: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Colonel-in-Chief, The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment), today visited the 1st Battalion of the Regiment at Catterick Camp.

Her Majesty travelled in an Aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Lady Jean Rankin, Sir Martin Gilliat and Captain Jeremy Mainwaring-Burton were in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 11: The Duke of Kent, as Grand Master, this morning attended the Annual Service of the Order of St Michael and St George at St Paul's Cathedral.

Lieutenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN, was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
July 11: Princess Alexandra, Chancellor of the University of Lancaster, today presided at congregations for the conferment of degrees.

The Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard was in attendance.

Birthdays today

The Hon Dame Ruth Buckley, 80; Mr Alastair Burnet, 50; Viscount Camrose, 69; Mr A. J. Fairbank, 83; Sir John Gutch, 73; Admiral Sir John Hamilton, 68; Sir Arthur Hetherington, 67; Sir William Montagu-Pollock, 75; Professor R. Quirk, 58; Sir Henry Slesser, 95; Professor Sir Charles Stuart-Harris, 69; Sir George Titman, 89; Major-General R. Younger, 74.

Butterfly Ball

A few tickets are still available for the Butterfly Ball to be held in Berkeley Square tomorrow night in aid of the Queen's Silver Jubilee Trust and Action Research for the Crippled Child. (Telephone: 491 7660 or 491 7909.)

Latest wills

Latest estates (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed):
Livingstone-Herbage, Mrs Anna Eliane (Miss Anna Instone), the radio music producer, of St Marylebone, intestate £46,655
Newbould, Mr Edward William, of Naunton Beauchamp .. £144,026
Peach, Mr Frederick George, of Barnes £151,160
Rana, General Sir Krishna Shum Shere Jung Bahadur, of Bangalore, estate in England and Wales £221,936

Forthcoming marriages

The Marquess of Ely and Miss E. A. Hay
The engagement is announced between Charles, Marquess of Ely, son of Mrs Tottenham and the late Mr G. L. Tottenham, and Elspeth Ann, only daughter of the late Mr and Mrs P. T. Hay, of Highgate.

Mr D. J. Trillo and Miss C. M. Embling
The engagement is announced between David John, elder son of the Right Rev and Mrs A. J. Trillo, of Bishopscourt, Chelmsford, and Catherine Melicent, elder daughter of Mrs E. N. Embling, of Goring-on-Thames, and the late Air Vice-Marshal J. R. A. Embling.

Mr T. Andrews and Miss P. Earland
The engagement is announced between Timothy, younger son of Mr and Mrs K. J. S. Andrews, of Hemyock and Wimbledon, and Patricia, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs P. J. Earland, of Culmstock, Devon.

Lieutenant R. W. Banfield and Miss S. G. Walker
The engagement is announced between Richard, elder son of Commander and Mrs E. H. Banfield, of Lee-on-Solent, Hampshire, and Sally, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A. D. Walker, of Reigate, Surrey.

Mr P. A. Bosworth and Miss H. A. Suddards
The engagement is announced between Philip, elder son of Mr and Mrs P. L. Bosworth, of Abingdon, Oxfordshire, and Hilary, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. D. Suddards, of Blundellsands, Liverpool.

Mr N. J. McK. Broughton and Miss S. E. Carter
The engagement is announced between Neil John McKenzie, son of Mr and Mrs B. E. P. Broughton, of 13 Holland Park, London, W11, and Sally Elisabeth, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A. H. Carter, of Holley House, Magdalen, King's Lynn, Norfolk.

Mr S. C. Cowley and Miss A. M. Bevis
The engagement is announced between Simon Charles, son of Mr and Mrs C. W. Cowley, of Keepers, Old Heathfield, Sussex, and Annette Maria, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs F. G. F. Bevis, of 17 Plough Lane, Purley, Surrey.

Mr J. de Moraville and Miss F. M. Barran
The engagement is announced between John, son of the late Captain John de Moraville and of Mrs de Moraville, of Childrey, Oxfordshire, and Frances Margarita, daughter of Mr and Mrs Edward Barran, of Ackworth Grange, Pontefract, Yorkshire.

Mr R. P. Farr and Miss S. J. Fairburn
The engagement is announced between Richard, son Mr and Mrs P. J. Farr, of Weston Mead, near Hitchin, and Susan, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Fairburn, of Wickersley, Yorkshire.

Mr R. M. Webb and Miss J. A. Rowlatt
The engagement is announced between Richard, only son of the late Mr Robert Webb and of Mrs Webb, of Bay Court, Doctors Commons Road, Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire, and Jennifer, daughter of the late Mr John Rowlatt and of Mrs Rowlatt, of Lessenden, Rimpton, Yeovil, Somerset.

Mr D. C. French and Miss S. V. Phillips
The engagement is announced between Douglas, son of Mr and Mrs F. French, of Rangitane, Tadworth, Surrey, and Sue, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Phillips, of Stoneleigh, Surrey.

Mr O. R. Jonathan and Miss J. A. Robinson
The engagement is announced between Owen, elder son of Mr and Mrs O. M. Jonathan, of Brooklands, Prestatyn, Clwyd, and Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs F. S. Robinson, of Ollerton, Cheshire.

Mr V. A. Knadjian and Miss N. N. Makinadjian
The engagement is announced between Vartkess Antranig, son Mr and Mrs A. Knadjian, and Nectar Nicole, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. Makinadjian.

Mr G. Turner Laing and Miss E. M. Campbell
The engagement is announced between Graham, son of the late Commander G. A. Turner Laing and Mrs H. E. Raphael, of Kingston House, London, and Elspeth, younger daughter of Mr A. D. Campbell, of Halkirk, Caithness, and Mrs Grace Campbell, of Montrose, Angus.

Marriages

Mr P. A. Mactaggart and Miss F. Peters
The marriage took place on July 7 at St George's, Hanover Square, between Mr Philip Auld Mactaggart, youngest son of Sir Ian Mactaggart, of 55 Park Lane, W1, and Lady Belhaven and Stenton, of Tighcargaman, Port Ellen, Islay, Argyll, and Miss Frances Peters, only daughter of the late Mr Christy George Peters and of Mrs Peters, of 791 Park Avenue, New York, United States.

The Rev William Maynard Atkins officiated, assisted by Bishop Militoupoleos of the Greek Orthodox Church.

The bride who was given in marriage by her cousin, Mr George Hadjipetros, was attended by five bridesmaids; Leora Hamilton, Bernadette Bruce, Frances Coutsodontis, Atalanta Georgopoulos, and Rania Georgopoulos. Mr John Mactaggart was best man.

A reception was held at the Hyde Park Hotel, and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Mr C. N. R. Prentice and Miss M.-J. King
The marriage took place on Saturday, June 24, at the Waldensian Church of Courmayeur, Italy, between Mr Christopher Norman Russell Prentice, younger son of Mr and Mrs Ronald Prentice, of Standish, Merstham, Surrey, and Miss Marie-Joséphine King, daughter of Mr John Andrews King, of 2311 Tracy Place, NW, Washington, DC, and Contessa Marie-Rose d'Entrèves Bocca, of 149 Corso Moncalieri, Turin.

The Rev F. L. McCarthy-Willis-Bund officiated, assisted by Pastor Ennio Del Priore and Canon Philip Durat.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white silk georgette and a lace veil. She carried a bouquet of white rosebuds and was attended by two child bridesmaids. Mr James Odgers was best man.

A reception was held at the Castello di Entrèves-Courmayeur and the honeymoon is being spent in France.

Mr G. R. Smyth and Mrs S. P. Radcliffe
The marriage took place quietly in Sussex, on Saturday, July 8, between Mr Gordon Smyth and Mrs Sue Radcliffe.

Dinners

Bahrain Society and Anglo-Omani Society
The Earl and Countess of Inchcape and Mr and Mrs J. M. Millington-Drake were hosts at a reception and dinner for members of the Anglo-Omani Society and the Bahrain Society held at the Manor House, Shepperton on Thames, last night. Among those present were:
The Ambassador of Oman and Mrs El Busly, the Ambassador of Bahrain and Mrs Al-Mahmood, Mr Charles Gault, Vice-President of the Bahrain Society, and Mrs Gault; Sir George Middleton, Chairman of the Bahrain Society, and Lady Middleton, Mr Donald Orde, Chairman of the Anglo-Omani Society, and Mrs Orde, Mr Ian Skeet, Vice-Chairman of the Anglo-Omani Society, and Mrs Skeet and HM Ambassador to Bahrain and Mrs E. F. Given.

Harveian Society of London
Sir Cyril Clarke, President of the Harveian Society of London, and Lady Clarke received the guests at the Buckston Browne-Gray Hill dinner held at the Royal College of Physicians on Tuesday to commemorate the 400th anniversary of William Harvey's birth. Dr Charles Newman replied to the toast of William Harvey. Others present included:
Sir Douglas Black, Lord Hunt of Fawley, Sir Francis Avery Jones, Sir Alan Parks, Dame Sheila Sherlock, Professor R. Steiner, Sir James Watt and many guests from overseas.

Anglo-German Foundation
Sir David Barran was host at a dinner given by the Anglo-German Foundation at the Caledonian Club yesterday evening to discuss foundation-sponsored research projects related to the White Paper on Industrial Democracy. Mr Albert Booth, Secretary of State for Employment, was the guest of honour. Others present included:
Baroness Seear, Mr Len Murray, Sir Norman Biggs, Sir Trevor Lloyd-Hughes, Mr Esmond Bulmer, MP, Mr D. J. Derx, Mr David Lea and Mr Jim Parsons.

Meeting

Victoria League
The Lord Mayor presided at the annual general meeting of the Victoria League held at the Mansion House yesterday. Those present included:
The Dowager Duchess of Devonshire, the Earl of Selkirk, QC, and the Countess of Selkirk, Sir John Prideaux (chairman) and Lady Prideaux, Sir Andrew Carnwath (honorary treasurer) and members and delegates from many Commonwealth countries.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
The following to be recorders with effect from July 14:
Mr F. A. Allen, Mr H. H. Andrew, Mr D. M. Berkson, Miss I. Bernstein, Mr P. J. Briggs, Mr F. B. Carter, Mr R. N. B. Clegg, Mr C. C. Colston, Miss A. M. Ebsworth, Mr D. M. Forster, Mr R. K. Goddard, Mr F. D. Hart, QC, Mr J. R. Hopkin, Mr G. Horsey, Mr R. Lockett, Mr C. B. K. Mantell, Mr R. B. Martin, QC, Mr A. J. D. Nicholl, Mr M. Nunan, Mr D. S. Perrett, Mr D. E. Roberts, Mr C. D. R. Rose, QC, Mr J. J. Rowe, Mr E. A. M. S. Rush, Mr E. Taylor, Miss N. Wilkins.

Mr J. D. Pollock, general secretary of the Educational Institute of Scotland, and Mr D. R. Hicklin, chairman and managing director of St Anne's Board Mill Company, Bristol, to be part-time Forestry Commissioners in succession to Lord Donnet of Balgay and Mr C. G. A. Latham, who retire in September.

Mr S. Cleobury, aged 29, sub-organist at Westminster Abbey, to be Master of Music, Westminster Cathedral.

Mr J. Crook, aged 34, chief social services officer at Bradford, to be director of social services.

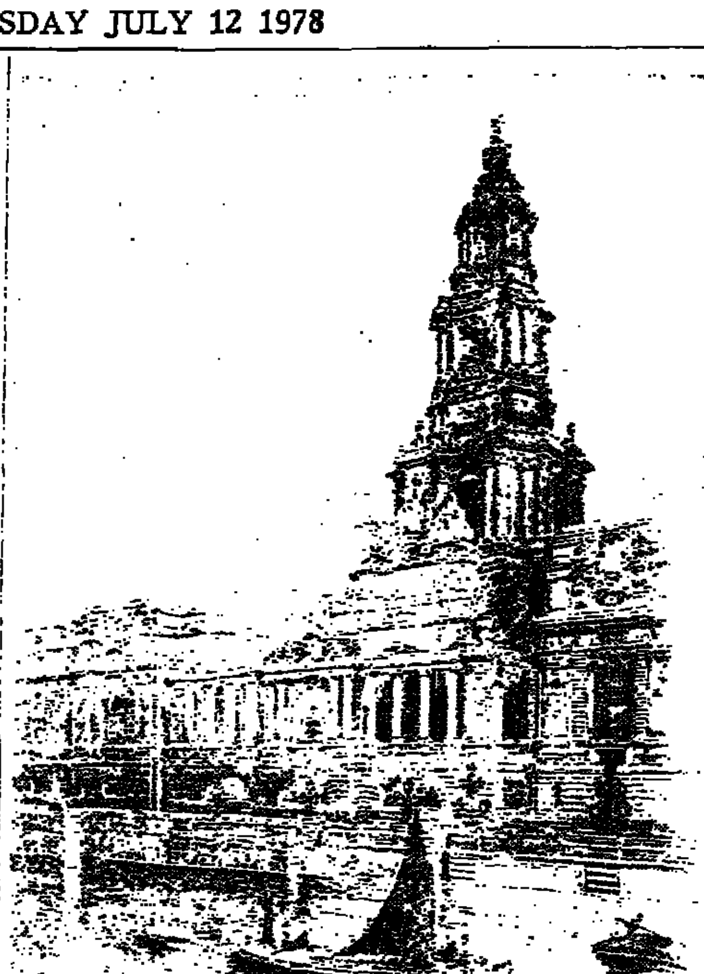
Mr B. Price, aged 45, Assistant Chief Constable of Northumbria, to be Deputy Chief Constable of Essex.

Symposium

English-Speaking Union
The American Ambassador, Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, Director London School of Economics, and the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth were guests of honour and principal speakers at a symposium on the theme of Interdependence: the next 20 years, held in Clothworkers' Hall yesterday as part of the diamond jubilee celebrations of the English-Speaking Union. Sir Patrick Dean, chairman of the English-Speaking Union, was in the chair and Professor Esmond Wright gave the vote of thanks.

Lady Denington

The life barony conferred on Dame Evelyn Denington, in the Queen's Birthday Honours has been gazetted by the name, style and title of Baroness Denington, of Stevenage in the county of Hertfordshire.



An unsuccessful design by Lanchester and Rickards for the County Hall competition of 1907.

Changes in London 70 years ago

By Charles McKean

The present exhibition at the Royal Institute of British Architects Heinz Gallery in Portman Square examines some changes to London between 1900 and 1910. In so doing, it makes one wonder what would have happened if the First World War had not intervened.

The exhibition, organized by Gavin Stamp, illustrates with contemporary drawings and modern photographs how London was transformed in those years into an imperial capital.

Whereas the Victorian road improvements, such as Charing Cross Road, the widening of High Holborn and Shaftesbury Avenue eschewed formality or grandeur, the Edwardians had higher aspirations. The two principal road developments of the period were the formalization of The Mall, with the construction of Admiralty Arch making a new entrance into Trafalgar Square, and the grandiose and frigid Kingsway leading into a rebuilt Aldwych. That so popular unit of measurement nowadays, the "human scale", was completely ignored in the latter.

The exhibition makes two other important points. First, in a selection of almost ninety buildings, it demonstrates how the architects of the period chose a building style appropriate to the location and function of a building. They had thus no qualms about designing in a variety of styles, even for simultaneous projects. It could be said that the neo-classical, pompous stone efforts were probably the least endearing of the buildings, and the so-called "Queen Anne" the most delightful. There were one or two fine aberrations, such as Mary Ward House (Smith & Brewer), off Tavistock Square, and the Whitechapel Art Gallery (Harrison Townsend).

Second, the exhibition is a vivid reminder of craftsmanship, of good detail, and of beautiful draughtsmanship and architectural drawing, now all but lost. The clients' accountants, and most have them, have no patience with fine drawings.

The exhibition at 21 Portman Square, London, W1, is open until July 29, 11 am-5 pm on weekdays and 10 am-1 pm on Saturdays.

Chinese blue and white dish fetches £150,000

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

Prices for early Chinese blue-and-white porcelain appeared to take a great leap upwards at Sotheby's yesterday, returning to, or even topping, the boom levels of 1974.

That may have been the result of the rare appearance of the Seijiro Matsuoka at a London sale. He has a superb private museum but, at over 80, does not often travel. When he does, his determination to buy irrespective of cost can profoundly affect the market.

Yesterday he paid the top price of £150,000 (estimate £50,000 to £80,000) for a mid-fourteenth-century blue-and-white dish, 18½ inches across. The centre is painted with two flying phoenixes among chrysanthemum sprays; there is a meander of peonies on the curved sides and the dish has a barbed edge. No other dish of that pattern appears to be recorded. Mr Matsuoka fought determinedly for possession with Hirano, the leading Japanese dealer.

Matsuoka also paid £80,000 (estimate £25,000 to £35,000) for a 13-inch Ming polychrome vase of the Wan Li dynasty (1573-1619) with the dense and colourful "hundred deer" decoration. Ming polychromes have long been popular in Japan.

His most significant purchase was, perhaps, a Yung Lo (1402-1424) blue-and-white dish painted with a fruiting vine at £44,000 (estimate £20,000 to £25,000). It was a good example of a relatively common type and can be considered as a barometer of the strength of the market.

The same can be said of an early-fifteenth-century blue-and-white barbed dish painted with a composite flower spray, which made £18,000 (estimate £7,000 to £8,000). It had a piece out of its foot rim, but perfect examples of the pattern have changed hands recently for less.

Another important feature of the sale was the acceptability of damaged pieces, hitherto shunned, particularly by Japanese buyers. A late-tenth or early-eleventh century Tz'u Chou tall sgraffiato vase with a clean break at the neck went to Hirano at £140,000 (estimate £50,000 to £70,000); Matsuoka was the underbidder.

Eskenazi, the London dealer, paid an auction record price for a T'ang glazed pottery horse, 25½ inches high, particularly attractively painted in chestnut and green, at £110,000 (estimate £80,000). The sale totalled £1,248,895, with less than one half per cent unsold.

Sotheby's manuscript sale also contained some high prices. A large and richly decorated *Hours of the Virgin* made in about 1430-40 for Raoul d'Ailly, adviser and chamberlain to the Dukes of Burgundy, was sold for £130,000 (estimate £60,000 to £80,000) to Schumann, a Swiss dealer.

A spectacular and profusely illustrated Romanesque large Bible, written for the Abbey of Justement, near Metz, in about 1160-80, made £75,000 (estimate £80,000 to £120,000). Quaritch paid £5,000 (estimate £1,500 to £2,000) for an eccentric piece of British history, a roll recording the expenses of Edward I and his household for the year 1289-90; it is more than 20ft long. The sale of manuscripts totalled £449,520; with one small lot unsold.

Christie's sold collectors' cars at Beaulieu, Hampshire, for a total of £317,920, with 30 per cent unsold. Two cars were bid to £26,000 each, a 1927 Amilcar racing two-seater (estimate £18,000 to £25,000) and a 1929 Packard seven-passenger dual-cowl phaeton (estimate £19,000 to £23,000).

Christie's sale of Japanese prints, paintings and screens made £72,162, with 1 per cent unsold. An early-seventeenth-century pair of six-leaf screens painted in ink and colours made £16,000.

OBITUARY

COUNT ANTOINE SEILERN
Collector of Old Masters

Sir Anthony Blunt writes:

Count Antoine Seilern, who died in a London nursing-home on July 6, was probably the greatest European collector of Old Masters in the postwar period.

He was born in England of Austrian parents, and studied the History of Art at Vienna University under the late Johannes Wilde, who became his close friend and his mentor in the formation of his collection.

He lived in Vienna till the Anschluss of 1938, when he moved to England, a country for which he had a profound affection and which he had frequently visited. On the outbreak of war he volunteered for military service, but owing to his dual nationality—British and Austrian—he was only accepted for the Pioneer Corps in which he served as a private.

The war naturally interrupted his collecting activities, but not entirely, since he was for much of the time stationed not far from London. In fact it was during the war—actually in 1942—that he made one of his most important purchases, a triptych by the Master of Flémalle, one of the most important Flemish Primitives in this country.

After the war, guided by Wilde, he returned to collecting with passion, and his London house soon came to contain a collection which was unique in containing a series of exceptionally fine paintings brought together round a central theme on a carefully thought out art-historical plan. The centre of his interest was Rubens, by whom he eventually owned 33 paintings and 22 drawings, covering all periods and all types of painting, except the very large religious or historical canvases which would have been too big for the house. He extended his range to works by artists whom Rubens admired and studied, including in most cases drawings as well as paintings. Among the Flemings were Matsys, Pieter Bruegel the Elder and Rubens' own pupil Jordaens; the Northern Italians included Bellini, Mantegna, Titian, Palma Vecchio, Tintoretto, and Parmigianino. Rome was represented by drawings by Michelangelo, Florence by Leonardo. In addition the collection included a magnificent 14th-century altarpiece by Bernardo Daddi, a large group of drawings by Rembrandt and works by Degas and Cézanne. Among the works of art were a superb illuminated manuscript from the studio of the Limbourg brothers, a 6th-century BC Geometric Hydra and a number of Chinese bronzes. Seilern also commissioned a series of large decorative paintings from Kokoshka, who was a personal friend. He had an unfailing sense of quality and his collection included not only the major paintings mentioned above but exceptional works by relatively minor artists, such as Menzel and Rudolph von Alt.

As a man he was very retiring and avoided the limelight as far as possible. He would always show his collection to anyone whom he believed to be genuinely interested, and he regularly allowed groups of students from the Courtauld Institute and elsewhere to visit his house. He had, however, one violent prejudice: no dealers were allowed to visit the house (the only exception was one who was a close personal friend, through whom he made many of his acquisitions). His generosity—particularly to refugees from central Europe—was enormous, but in this as in all else he carefully avoided any publicity. Only those who benefited by it can appreciate its extent and the delicacy with which it was carried out.

He was also generous to museums and institutions, but it is hard to estimate the extent of his gifts because they were always made with the minimum of publicity, and usually anonymously. Two of the most important can however be mentioned. In 1945 he presented to the National Gallery the fine full-length portrait of the first Earl of Denbigh by van Dyck, and at about the same time he bought the magnificent collection of drawings formed in the early 19th century by Sir Thomas Phillipps, which had passed by descent to Thomas Fenwick, took out a small number of drawings by Rubens to add to his own collection and gave the remainder to the British Museum. This gift was in part an expression of his admiration and affection for the late A. E. Popham who was at that time Keeper of the Print Room.

MR JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

Mr John D. Rockefeller, the eldest of the five grandsons of John D. Rockefeller, the American oil magnate, died after a car crash near his home in New York State. He was 72. John Davidson Rockefeller, the eldest survivor of the third generation of this wealthy American family, was also the third of that name, being the second child of John D. Rockefeller, Junior.

He was a chairman of the Rockefeller Foundation and in 1970 President Nixon appointed him chairman of the newly established United States Commission on Population Growth and the American Future. A careful steward of the family's philanthropic interests, he was a trustee of many educational and cultural organizations.

John D. Rockefeller's brother, Nelson, was Vice-President of the USA from 1974 to 1977 and his son, John D. Rockefeller 4th, is Governor of West Virginia.

LORD ST LEVAN

Lord St Levan died on July 10 at the age of 83.

The son of the Hon A. J. D. Stuart St Aubyn, fourth son of the first Baron, he succeeded his uncle in 1940.

He was educated at Eton and RMC Sandhurst, and he saw service with the Grenadier Guards in both world wars (he was twice wounded in the 1914-18 War). He was a Deputy Lieutenant and a Justice of the Peace for Cornwall.

He married in 1916 the Hon Clementina Nicolson, only daughter of the first Baron Carnock. They had three sons and two daughters.

The heir is the Hon John Francis Arthur St Aubyn.

LORD MARPLES

Philip Jones writes:

In your warm, rightly so, obituary to Ernest Marples, the vineyard he owned in Beaujolais was not mentioned. Furthermore, his arduous campaign in England to keep the wine in the bottle true to its name was admired by all. Indeed he worked in this way not only for the wines of Beaujolais but also for the wines of the world.

Today's engagements

The Queen holds investiture, Buckingham Palace, 11.

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh attend reception to mark diamond jubilee of English-Speaking Union, St James's Palace, 6.30.

The Prince of Wales is admitted as honorary fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons and attends ceremony of presentation of diplomates at 35-43 Lincoln's Inn Fields, 11.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother visits gardens in London boroughs of Hackney and Tower Hamlets, 4.40.

Princess Alexandra, Chancellor of Lancaster University, presides at congregations for conferment of degrees.

Lectures: The Expressionist tradition (3): Picasso, Tate Gallery, 1. Royal Heritage, the Tudors, Victoria and Albert Museum, 1.15.

Tour: Insects and flowers, British Museum (Natural History), 3.

Recitals: Clarinet, piano, St Olave's, Hart Street, 1.05. Richard Townend, organ, St Margaret's Lothbury, 1.10.

Annual procession of Vintners' Company in traditional costume, Vintners' Hall, 11.50.

Morris dancing: Blackheath Morris Men, Leigham Vale Morris Men, Broad Sanctuary, Westminster Abbey, 8.

Walks: A journey through Roman London, meet Tower Hill station, 11. Evil London, meet St Paul's station, 7.

Luncheons

HM Government
Mr John Tomlinson, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a luncheon in honour of a group of parliamentarians from Greece.

Foreign and Commonwealth Office
Mr P. R. A. Mansfield, assistant Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a luncheon held at Kettners Restaurant yesterday in honour of Mr Isaya Cheluget, Provincial Commissioner, Nyanza Province, Kenya.

Canning House
The Director General of the Hispanic and Luso Brazilian Council, Mr S. M. Mackenzie, gave a luncheon at Canning House, Belgrave Square, yesterday, in honour of Lic Santiago Roel, Mexican Minister of Foreign Affairs. The guests included:
The Mexican Ambassador, HM Ambassador to Mexico, the Mexican Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Lord Aldenham and members of the executive committee of the council.

Receptions

HM Government
Mr Roy Hattersley, Secretary of State, Department of Prices and Consumer Protection, was host at a reception held at Lancaster House yesterday in honour of delegates attending the ninth world congress of the International Organization of Consumer Unions.

HM Government
Mr Michael Meacher, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department of Trade, was host at a reception held at Admiralty House last night in honour of the board of directors of the Arab Petroleum Investment Corporation.

Design Council
Lord Campbell of Eskan, chairman of the Milton Keynes Development Corporation, and Mr Keith Grant, Director of the Design Council, were hosts at a reception held at the Design Centre, Haymarket, yesterday evening for the official opening by Mr Alan Williams, Minister of State, Department of Industry, of an exhibition called Milton Keynes, Britain's new city. The Mayor of the borough of Milton Keynes was also present.

New Zealand Society
Marshal of the RAF Lord and Lady Elworthy were the guests of honour at a reception at New Zealand House yesterday given by the committee of the New Zealand Society to mark their departure for New Zealand. Mr Len Brown, president of the society, and Mrs Brown received the guests, who included:
The High Commissioner for New Zealand and Vice-Patron of the New Zealand Society and Lady Carter, the Deputy High Commissioner for New Zealand and Mrs Lynch, Lord and Lady Porritt, Lord and Lady Ballantrae, Mrs J. S. Corry (president, New Zealand Women's Association) and Mr Corry, Mr E. Sturmer (president, Aorangi Club) and Mrs Sturmer and Dr Monty Barak (secretary, New Zealand University Graduates Association) and Mrs Barak.

GLC
The chairman of the GLC welcomed members of the English-Speaking Union to County Hall yesterday evening for a reception given by the GLC in honour of the diamond jubilee of the English-Speaking Union. Among those present were the Canadian High Commissioner and the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth.

Science report

Nutrition: Roughage and disease

New techniques for determining the roughage content of foodstuffs in the British diet have pointed to a substantial decline in the consumption of fibre derived from cereals during the past century. Even though the physiological significance of the quantitative changes reflected in the new analysis is not at all clear, the results of the survey have an immediate bearing on the established relationship between lack of fibre in the diet and certain diseases, such as diabetes mellitus, ischaemic heart disease and cancer of the bowel.

The historical trends first reported in 1972 by Miss Jean Robertson of the Food Science Division of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, have now been borne out by her recent work with Dr David Southgate and Dr Sheila Bingham of the Medical Research Council's Dunn Nutrition Unit in Cambridge. By applying more refined techniques to the same data about food supply and consumption, they have obtained results which provide a more complete picture of the changes in our over-refined diet because of increased consumption of processed foods.

Those data were derived from national statistics of food supplies for the population of the United Kingdom since 1880. Calculations for the past 25 years were checked with annual national averages of household food consumption recorded by the National Food Survey, a government agency instigated in 1951.

The national intake of dietary fibre is mainly derived from foods made from cereals, vegetable, fruit and nuts, and can be defined as the sum of the polysaccharides (cellulose and sugars) and lignin (the structural framework of plant cells) which the human digestive system is not capable of breaking down and absorbing. Even so, it is a valuable constituent of the diet as it adds bulk to the intestinal contents, stimulates peristalsis (the muscular process that moves food along the system), and prevents or relieves constipation. But during the past century the contribution of cereal as a source of such fibre has become progressively less important compared with vegetables, and consequently less fibre has been consumed.

That gradual decline in importance was, however, interrupted during the Second World War, when the intake of fibre from cereals almost doubled. The development of more efficient methods of milling wheat into flour during that period brought about a dramatic increase in the fibre content of foodstuffs. Modified extraction procedures introduced in the early 1950s, however, helped to return intake to prewar levels.

Clinical studies have shown that the fibre content of the diet may be connected with the incidence of certain diseases. For example, rural black populations in South Africa, eating large quantities of grains and vegetables with a high fibre content, have been found to be free from diseases of the colon. But recent movement to the towns with the adoption of Western-style diet, has been accompanied by an increase in the incidence of those diseases. And another study reported this year in the *British Medical Journal* has shown that there is a lower incidence of coronary heart disease in men with a high intake of dietary fibre from cereals. But a definite link between heart disease and fibre intake has yet to be proven.

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Memorial services

Mr B. Nicolson
A memorial service for Mr Benedict Nicolson was held at St James's, Piccadilly, yesterday. The Rev William Baddeley officiated. Mr Philip Toynbee read the lesson and Lord Clark, OM, gave an address. Among those present were:
Miss Vanessa Nicolson (daughter), Mrs Luisa Vertova Nicolson, Mr Nigel Nicolson (brother), Mr and Mrs James Macmillan Scott, Mr Adam Nicolson, Miss Rebecca Nicolson, Lord Sackville, Mr and Mrs Hugh Sackville-West.
Lady Clark, Lady Darwen, Lady Gladwyn, Lord Weidenfeld, Lord McNair, Lord and Lady Vaizey, Lord Annaly, Lord and Lady Annan, Lady Alexandra Metcalfe, the Hon Piers St Aubyn, Major the Hon David St Clair Erskine, Sir Martyn and the Hon Lady Beckett, Sir Anthony and Lady Rumbold, Sir Francis Watson, Sir Seymour Egerton, Lady (Robin) MacAlpine, Sir Anthony Blunt, Sir Geoffrey Agnew, Lady (Edgar) Bonham-Carter, Sir Isaiah Berlin, OM (representing the British Academy), Lady (Norman) Hulbert, Sir Victor and Lady Pritchett, Sir Antony Hornby, Sir Oliver Millar, Sir Ernst and Lady Gombrich, Sir James Richards, Sir Robert Birley, Sir Henry Knoppler, Sir Trenchard Cox, Professor Sir Alfred Ayer, Mr Brian Llewellyn (representing the chairman of the Thomson Organisation) with Mr G. R. Pocock (representing the managing director and chief executive), Mr W. Reeps and Mr J. Bishop; Mr Anthony Gould (general manager "The Burlington Magazine") with Professor Francis Haskell (chairman of the board) and Mrs Haskell, Mr Keith Roberts (associate editor), and Mrs K. Salvesen; Mr Frank Giles, Mr Mark and Lady Arabella Boxer, Mrs Humphrey Whitbread, Mr Bruno Wollheim, Mr Rupert Wollheim, Professor and Mrs Richard Wollheim, Mrs A. Wollheim, Professor Anita Brookner, Mr Denis Mahon, Professor John Shearman, Mr John Christian, Mr Nicholas Goodison, Mr Alan Bowness, Mr William Drummond.
Mr and Mrs James Lees-Milne, Professor and Mrs Lawrence Gowing, Mr Julian Jeffs, QC, Mr Francis Graham Harrison, Mr Eric Young, Mrs J. Egerton (representing the Trustees and Directors of the Tate Gallery) with Mr Martin Butlin, Professor and Mrs Quentin Bell, Mr Bernard Gutteridge, Mr E. Knollys, Mrs Philip Toynbee, Mr Noel Blakiston, Professor Giles Robertson (Edinburgh University), Mr J. G. Links, Mr I. O. Chance, Mr and Mrs Humphrey Brooke, Mr and Mrs Terence Mullaly, Dr Roy Strong (Victoria and Albert Museum), Mr Stuart Hampshire, Mr John Gere, Mr Angus Stirling (Arts Council), Mr J. Byam Shaw, Mr David Piper (Ashmolean Museum), Mr Roy Miles, Mr John Hayes, Mr John Stafford-Moule, Mr Brinsley Ford (National Art Collections Fund) and Mrs Ford, Professor James Joll, Mr John Golding, Mr J. A. Floyd (Christie's), Mr Peter Vansittart, Mr Geoffrey de Bellaigue, Mr Julian Mitchell, Professor and Mrs R. Gayatt (Royal College of Art), Mr D. Sutton ("Apollo Magazine") and Mrs Sutton, Mr Richard Harris, Mr Michael Rubenstein, Dr Christopher White (representing the Paul Mellon Centre for British Art), Mr and Mrs Robin Campbell, Miss Polly Toynbee, Mr and Mrs Philip Pouncey, Miss J. Pouncey, Mr Brian Nicholson, Mr Felix Hope Nicholson, Mr Stuart Leger, Mr Neil Hughes Onslow, Mr Stephen Keynes, Mr Michael Kauffman, Mr Raymond Mortimer, Mr Michael Levey (National Gallery), Mr Peter Laud, Mr and Mrs Anthony Hobson, Mr Cecil Gould, Mr Lee Johnson, Mr John Webster, Mrs Norah Smallwood, Professor J. B. Trapp (Warburg Institute), Professor Peter Lasko (Courtauld Institute), Professor George Zarnecki, Mr Nicolai Rubinstein, Mr Mark Girouard, Mr Colin Anson, Mr John Richardson, Mr Richard Kingzett, Professor S. Rees Jones, Mrs Nicholas Baring, Mr Robin Porteous, Mr W. E. Usher (Beefsteak Club) with Mr Maurice Lancaster, Mr David Nosworthy (Sotheby's), Mr John Davidge (Sidney Press), Mr A. Wenarar, Mr D. Abse and Mr K. Znovieff.

Miss A. Instone
A memorial service for Miss Anna Instone was held at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, City of London, yesterday. Canon Richard Tydeman officiated, assisted by the Rev Michael Henley, RN. Sir Anthony Lewis, Principal of the Royal Academy of Music, read the lesson, and Sir Charles Curran gave an address. Mr David Wilson Johnson, Mr Gerald Moore, Mr Christopher Kent and Miss Jean Mackie also took part. Among those present were:
Mr and Mrs Leo Instone-Gallop and Mr and Mrs Frank Coven (brothers-in-law and sisters), Mr John Festiman (brother-in-law), Mr Frank Instone, Mr Ralph Instone, Mr Gordon Instone, Commander Fred Stoy, RN, Miss Joan Instone-Gallop, Mr and Mrs Derek Strauss, Dr Simon Curry, Mrs George Ettinger, Mr Robert Ettinger, Miss Sarah Fentiman, Shirley Lady Beecham, Sir Edward and Lady Lewis, Lady Lewis, Miss Irene Kohler, Dr and Mrs Mosco Carner, Mr Howard Newby, Mr Edward Greenfield, Miss Joan Criswell, Mr Larry Adler, Mrs P. G. de Courcy-Ireland, Mrs Steve Race, Mr Philip Hope-Wallace, Mr David Ward, Mrs Jack Jackson, Mr and Mrs Martin Cooper, Mr and Mrs Rex St Leger Harris, Mr Terence Kern, Mr Jack Singleton, Mr and Mrs Frank Sellick, Mr Humphrey Searle, Mr and Mrs John Lade, Mrs R. Gallop, Miss Hilary Pym (BBC Gramophone Department) and Mr Geoffrey Bridge (director-general, British Phonographic Industry).

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Mr Fukuda promises 'drastic steps' to reduce Japan's trade surplus

From Peter Hazelhurst
Tokyo, July 11

Mr Takeo Fukuda, the Japanese Prime Minister, will promise the leaders of industrialized nations in Bonn this weekend that he will now take "drastic" steps to reduce Japan's huge current account surplus, a major factor which has partly undermined the value of the dollar.

These measures, Mr Fukuda told European journalists here, will include regulations to control the volume of Japan's exports and a programme to boost imports of both raw materials and manufactured goods from Europe and the United States.

"Japan's volume of exports will not surpass last year's level", he said. "I am going to see to it. And this, mind you, is a very drastic approach."

However, the Japanese leader is also expected to warn his counterparts, at the summit meeting in Bonn this weekend that although Japan will restrict the volume of her exports this year, the actual value of the country's trade earnings might increase by 10 per cent if inflation in Western industrialized nations continues to push prices up.

Outlining his strategy at the *coming summit* in Bonn, Mr Fukuda made it clear that he will quietly counter any attempts to hold Japan up as a scapegoat for the economic woes of other industrialized nations.

Elaborating on his long-range plans to reduce Japan's growing current account surplus—a *lop-sided* $14,000m (about £7,445m at present rates) last year—Mr Fukuda said that in normal circumstances he would be satisfied with an annual surplus of $3,000m to $4,000m.

This, he said, could be used to transfer capital to developing nations.

He added: "But now that the world faces such unstable economic conditions I will not insist on a $3,000m surplus. Under the existing conditions I would not mind having a zero balance or even running up a deficit on the current account."



Mr Takeo Fukuda: programme to boost imports from Europe and America.

Although Mr Fukuda does not expect the summit meeting in Bonn to produce any tangible results, he is more confident that Japan will achieve a growth rate of 7 per cent this year—the highest among industrialized nations—to boost a domestic demand for imports.

Mr Fukuda went on to explain that imports would increase if Japan achieved this 7 per cent growth rate. "This expansion of domestic demand is not sufficient to close the gap, and we are therefore resorting to an emergency plan to step up imports such as oil, enriched uranium and aircraft," he said.

"But even these emergency imports will not be sufficient. And that is why, although reluctantly, we are contemplating some regulations to control Japan's exports."

Mr Fukuda gave a warning that even if the volume of exports was reduced or held down to last year's level, inflation in the United States might increase the demand for higher prices of Japanese exports.

Then the value of Japan's exports, in dollars, would increase by 10 per cent or 15 per cent. Since the value of Japan's annual exports now stands at the level of $83,000m, this could mean that the new value could rise by $8,000m next year.

"That is why we expect a more disciplined attitude by other nations towards their problems of inflation so as to solve Japan's problem with its surplus", he explained.

Mr Fukuda denied suggestions that Japan might attempt to reduce its surplus by simply importing raw materials at cheap prices without increasing purchases of manufactured goods from Europe and the United States.

"The measures I have *already taken to expand* imports have already achieved some significant results in terms of the two-way trade between Japan and the European Community", he said.

"During the first five months of the year Japan's imports from the EEC rose by 35 per cent over the same level last year.

"On the other hand, Japan's exports to the EEC have only grown by 20 per cent during the same period. Therefore the trends in trade between Japan and the EEC are already beginning to show a meaningful change.

"And please note that most of the increases in Japan's imports from Europe are from manufactured goods."

Summing up his approach to the coming Bonn meeting, Mr Fukuda said: "To me the most important expectation is that the leaders reach an agreement as to what we can do together to prevent the world from falling into a catastrophe."

Devaluation would 'help' companies

By David Blake

A survey produced for the Confederation of British Industry shows that businesses are either convinced that a devaluation would help them or think that it would have no effect. There was little support for the view that a fall in the exchange rate would so push up inflation that it would all be eroded very quickly.

Although businesses think that devaluation would help their profits the authors of the report note that most companies say that they have no firm belief that they would either try to boost volume sales or increase investment as a result.

The survey was carried out by a group or economists, who talked to 25 companies, including such household names as Marks and Spencer, Ford and ICI. The economists found that attitudes to devalution were essentially contingent on the extent to which the company involved depended on the cost of imports rather than domestically added value.

Those with big added value from their United Kingdom operations felt that devaluation would be a help, those relying on imports thought it would make little difference.

The research began by pointing out that the pound was likely to fall somewhat over the coming years because of Britain's inflation rate, but then asked whether an extra 10 per cent devaluation would help the companies concerned. Half of all the companies thought it would and a third of all the companies thought it would give significant help.

As well as looking at the effect of a change in the level of the exchange rate over a considerable period of years, the study tried to look at the impact of fluctuations of currency parities. Many companies expressed a preference for more stability, but the picture which emerges is most of them do not mind too greatly about fairly small fluctuations of the order of two or three per cent a month. Many businesses expressed a desire both for more stability and for a free float.

More than a glass house view from Pilkingtons

An experiment in how to tackle a classic industrial dilemma is now under way in St Helens, Merseyside. It intackle a classic industrial by the private and public sectors aimed at creating new jobs in a town suffering more than 9 per cent unemployment (Financial Editor, page 19).

The venture is the brainchild of Pilkington Brothers, the biggest industrial employer in St Helens, in response to a growing awareness that its own manpower needs in the town are likely to diminish.

Specifically Pilkington is planning to invest £70m in a new float glass plant, which *will replace outmoded equipment* and involve an ultimate cut of 280 jobs.

The group views this investment as essential if it is to maintain its competitive position in the flat glass market and thus ensure long term growth.

But Pilkington has also had to consider the implications for St Helens, a town of 190,000, and has concluded it carries some responsibility to help find alternative work for those made redundant by new technology.

It has, therefore, persuaded other big local companies, Rockware, United Glass and Lennons, to join with chamber of commerce, local authority and trade union representatives as co-sponsors of a trust, now likely to be called the Community of St Helens Trust.

Pilkington has provided the chairman, Mr Anthony Pilkington, and the trust will initially have £100,000 to invest.

The trust's objective will be to provide financial and advisory support for small companies setting up or expanding in St Helens. Such companies are seen as most likely to replace jobs shed by bigger companies, and, besides offering medium term finance, the trust aims to provide help, finding premises and guiding entrepreneurs through the maze of *government regulations, grants* and subsidies.

The trust may also act as a means of encouraging the bigger companies to invest in new ventures, perhaps on a joint basis.

Its success will be watched closely by other big companies which, like Pilkington, find that *investment in new plant may* mean fewer jobs.

ICI has begun its own experiments in nearby Runcorn, but the striking feature of the St Helens scheme is that the employers believe their responsibility for finding a solution can be best fulfilled by involving the entire community in a self-help exercise.

Christopher Wilkins

Borrowing need drops to £465m

By Caroline Atkinson

The Government's borrowing requirement fell in June from the high May figure, but was way above the level of June last year. Officials believe that a change in the pattern of tax receipts was largely responsible for the increase over the 12 months.

The central government borrowing requirement (CGBR) totalled £465m last month, compared with £1,591m in May, and £69m in June, 1977.

The CGBR is an important element in the total public sector borrowing requirement. In the first quarter of this financial year the CGBR totalled £2,509m. This is 44 per cent above its level in the first quarter of 1977-78. In the Budget an increase of 80 per cent in the CGBR was forecast for the financial year as a whole.

The largest element in the Government's borrowing comes *from the excess of spending* over revenue on the Consolidated Fund. Public spending in this fund was 17 per cent higher in the first quarter of this financial year than in the same period last year at £12,051m. This is in line with the Budget forecast.

However, the revenue into *the Consolidated Fund is running* below the Budget forecast. In the months from April to June this totalled £9,459m, a rise of £750m or 8 per cent from the first quarter of 1977-78.

The government is hoping to see a rise of 10 per cent over the whole of 1978-79. The explanation is thought to be that the tax cuts in October last year cut revenue in the second half of 1977-78, and in the absence of similar cuts this autumn there will be a larger year on year increase in tax revenue as the year goes on.

Thus Inland Revenue receipts in the first three months of 1978-79 were only £185m up on the same time last year, while the Budget forecast an increase of £2,943m for the year as a whole. The fact that earnings have risen faster than the official forecast in the present pay round should have meant larger than expected tax receipts.

Another element in the Consolidated Fund total revenues is the national insurance surcharge. There was an exceptionally large increase in receipts from this between April to June, 1977-78 and the same latest three months. This was because receipts last year only began in May.

More of the national debt was serviced from the Consolidated Fund in the latest quarter than in the same period last year.

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US and Sweden will have big work stake in new British airliner

By David Felton

As much as 40 per cent of British Aerospace's first civil airliner the 146 project, will be manufactured overseas with the United States and Sweden being the main contributors.

This, apparently, is the Government's price for allowing the state corporation to go ahead with development work on the £250m project. BAe *officials were also persuaded* that the shorthaul airliner would have better sales prospects in America if there was a big United States contribution to the project.

It is expected that the project will create 7,000 new Aerospace jobs and 4,000 to 5,000 jobs with suppliers.

The state concern forecast a world market for short-haul aircraft of 1,200 by the end of the 1980s and expects about 350 146s to be sold by 1990, including 100 of the military freighter version which wil be designed to carry large numbers of personnel and equipment.

Design work for the 146 was *done at the Hatfield factory of* Hawker Siddeley, but the project was virtually put on ice four years ago because in the aftermath of the oil crisis and with the drop in airline business *the company found development* costs prohibitive. When British Aerospace was formed last year, taking under its wing Hawker Siddeley, pressure on the Government increased to sanction the 146 project.

However, it appears that the Government baulked at the relatively high development *costs and instructed the new* BAe management to mount a search for risk-bearing partners.

So far the corporation has found the American Avco Corporation, which will build the engines and probably most of the wings. The most likely European partner is Saab of Sweden, although Italian aerospace companies have also been sounded.

The decision to take in European partners was defended yesterday by Mr Michael Goldsmith, managing director of the corporation's Hatfield/Chester division, who said that it made sense not only from the risk sharing point of view, but also had an advantageous effect in the market place.

The state concern is confident that first orders for the aircraft, which will cost between 7.5m (about £4m) and 8m at *current prices, will be placed* in the autumn. Corporation officials said yesterday that they would be concentrating on a handful of airlines fhich had expressed greater interest and had already informed these airlines of the Government's decision.

The aircraft is being sold on its lower seat per mile costs than the propeller-driven airliners it is designed to replace and its suitability for operation in Third World countries by virtue of a short take-off and ability to operate from rough airfields at high altitudes and temperatures. It is understood temperatures.

Although assembly of the aircraft will be carried out at Hatfield, *work will be done at* BAC factories at Manchester, Brough, Filton near Bristol, and Prestwick in Scotland.

Mr Norman Tebbit, MP for Chingford, chairman of the Conservative Party's aviation committee, said last night that there were some worrying aspects of the 146 decision. The *146 would compete head-on* with the Fokker F28, of which about 50 per cent was made in Britain.

Pace of bank lending unchecked

By Ronald Pullen

A continued strong increase in advances to the private sector is blunting the efforts of the banks to get within the lending ceilings laid down by *the Government last month.*

Although helped by heavy sales of gilt-edged stocks after Government measures to rebuild confidence in financial markets, eligible liabilities of the banks fell by only 0.3 per cent to £44,370m against market expectations of a drop of as much as 1 per cent.

Within the total, however, the London clearing banks have seen a rise of £366m or 1¼ per cent to £25,164m.

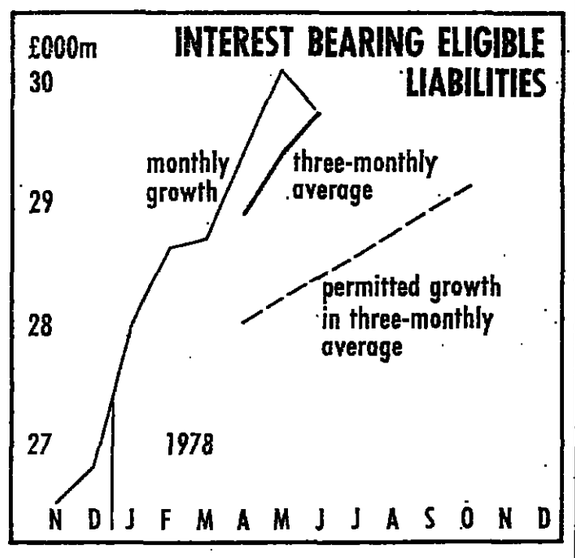
Judging by the fall in the liabilities of the accepting houses and overseas banks, it appears that borrowers, mainly in the corporate sector, have been switching their loans away from the other banks, where the rise in short-term rates after the Government package has made them relatively more expensive, towards the clearers where in many cases hefty overdraft facilities had already been arranged in advance of the "corset" controls.

Under the corset restrictions the clearing banks have to reduce their interest-bearing liabilities by around £700m to avoid paying heavy penalties to the Bank of England and to judge from the clearing bank statement to mid-June some of the clearers could have some difficulty in meeting their targets by the August banking month.

The clearing bank statement shows that there has been some reduction in loans to local authorities and in the interbank market, but because this canot be done across the board without upsetting their reserve asset ratios loans to the discount market and holdings of Treasury bills have increased slightly.

After May's 0.9 per cent rise in the money supply, the latest banking figures indicate that there may have been little or no money supply growth last month. While this keeps money supply wel. within the Government's target range of 8-12 per cent for the current year, the gilt-edged market had been hoping to see even less pressure on M3 to provide some leeway for a cut in interest rates in the summer. Slightly bemused by the divergent pointers from the clearing banks and the rest of that sector, gilt edged prices ended

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Chancellor hopeful about Bonn

By Our Economics Staff

Mr Denis Healey, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, said yesterday he was pleased with the outcome of the EEC leaders' summit in Bremen, although he saw the French-German plan for currency reform as a *starting point for talks among* EEC finance ministers rather than "the proposal" for a new arrangement.

Speaking at a lunch in London for the Foreign Press Association, he said he was optimistic about the prospects for the Bonn summit.

He said he expected progress to be made on each of the five points suggested by the Prime Minister for discussion.

These include measures to increase world growth, energy policy, trade policy and resistance to protectionism, currency stability and aid to the developing countries.

Britain would enter the summit in a strong position and not as a supplicant, according to Mr Healey. He called on Japan to increase its aid to developing countries as one way of reducing its huge trade surplus.

Mr Healey predicted that realistic bargaining on all five points would take place between the heads of state in Bonn.

He echoed the criticisms made earlier this week by British officials of the Bremen currency plan, while insisting that Britain was very keen to work out a plan which could deal with the damaging monetary instability.

Mr Healey said that the most important progress in Bremen was the acceptance by all the EEC governments that a significant transfer of resources should be part of a new currency scheme.

The dollar recovered on the foreign exchanges yesterday in very quiet dealings. Sterling closed at $1.8845, down 50 points, and at 61.9 on the effective rate index—*a drop of 0.1.*

Last minute efforts to end Geneva deadlock

From Melvyn Westlake,
Geneva, July 11

In an effort to break the deadlock over key issues in the world trade negotiations, now nearing their climax here, leaders of national delegations were meeting over dinner tonight.

These meetings could effectively determine the contents of a so-called "Memorandum of Understanding" on trade which is intended to be passed to Bonn over the weekend in time for the seven-power economic summit.

Throughout the day, representatives of the main industrial nations have been desperately trying to sketch the outline of the memorandum. But how comprehensive it will finally prove to be will only become clear during the next 48 hours.

Considerable differences still exist between the United States and the European Community over the question of subsidies for farm and industrial products.

Tonight top Community officials including Sir Roy Denman, the Director General of the Brussels Commission leading the EEC negotiators, were meeting privately over dinner to hammer out their negotiating strategy for the last few days.

The United States is pressing the Community to agree to a list of subsidies that would be outlawed, but such a list is argued by EEC officials to be "impracticable and undesirable".

The Americans argue, however, that without such a list of proscribed subsidies, they would find it difficult to convince Congress that President Carter could protect domestic United States industries from unfair European trade practices. The negotiations on this thorny issue turn upon what is known as the "two track approach".

On the one hand the United States would undertake to show that domestic industries were being "materially injured" by subsidized imports before imposing a countervailing duty.

At the moment the United States is one of the few countries that does not have to show "material injury" before taking counter action, and the EEC insist that the Americans should get into step with everybody.

On the other hand, America wants to retain a free hand to retaliate against other countries that violate any ultimate agreement over subsidies.

Any infringements of any ultimate subsidies code, whether they took place in the home market, the foreign market or Third World markets, would, in the jargon used here, constitute "serious prejudice" to trade competitors, permitting retaliation.

But, in the absence of a list of proscribed subsidies, this proposal would be seriously undermined. Instead of an explicit list, some negotiators now talk about establishing a code of discipline on the extent of European subsidies to industry.

Trade in farm products is also presenting a minefield of problems. Another high level meeting was taking place tonight to try to break the logjam on the grain talks. Bargaining over grains is taking place separately from the main "Tokyo Round" negotiations, but is seen by the Americans as integral to the final package of trade agreements.

Essentially the question is whether American wheat farmers can secure a larger slice of world markets without having to compete with subsidized European products.

In addition to grains, the United States is also pressing for concessions in trade of other agricultural items like citrus fruits, some vegetables and tobacco.

This presents the Community with great difficulty because some such items are already produced in abundance within the EEC

Chrysler warning to Linwood strikers

By Clifford Webb

Chrysler UK has given a warning to strikers at its Linwood, Renfrewshire, plant that their decision to continue the fortnight old dispute, which has stopped all car production, was "extremely serious for the future of the plant and the jobs of all 9,000 employees".

The strike, by 550 paint shop workers has already cost the company 5,000 Avengers and Sunbeams worth £15m at showroom prices. It poses a serious threat to hopes of recovering from the heavy losses Chrysler has suffered in recent years.

At a meeting yesterday, the Linwood strikers voted unanimously to stay out and not to meet again until after the three-week holiday shutdown which starts on Thursday evening. This means that the earliest possible resumption will be som time in August.

Such a long break in production, coming so soon after a damaging strike by the company's Midland toolmakers, has hit Chrysler at the worst possible time. Every manufacturer selling in the British market is building up stocks of cars to *prepare for record August* sales.

Vauxhall stoppage: A strike by transport drivers at Vauxhall Ellesmere Port, stopped all car production there yesterday. Three thousand assembly workers walked out in support of 100 drivers demanding a reduction in working hours.

Leyland meeting: The 640 press operators who have been on strike for two weeks at the British Leyland body plant in Swindon, Wiltshire, will hold a meeting today to decide whether to continue the unofficial stoppage.

£1.5m Pitman capital plan

Important effects of a new capital structure proposed by Pitman, the secretarial training, book manufacturing and publishing group, will be to release some cash for family shareholders and to bring in about £1.5m of new institutional capital.

Pitman's preferred, preference and deferred capital will be converted into a new 10 per cent preference capital, of which over 50 per cent will be held by outside institutions, and a new single ordinary capital

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OFT action over price rings for diazo copying

By John Huxley

Mr Gordon Borrie, the Director General of Fair Trading, will take action in the Restrictive Practices Court tomorrow against eight companies which operated price rings in the supply of diazo copying materials.

They are Ozalid Group Holdings, Nig Securities, Nig Banda, Ozalid (UK), GAF (Great Britain), Harper & Tunstall, Admel International and Addressograph-Multigraph.

Mr Borrie is applying for an order restraining the companies from operating the restrictions in the agreements or any other registrable agreement without submitting it for registration within the prescribed time.

It is likely that at a later date he will seek a further "like effect" order preventing the companies from making similar agreements.

Mr Borrie is also taking action tomorrow against 44 companies in the ready-mixed concrete industry. He will be asking the court to declare the restrictions in 60 agreements made by the companies to be against the public interest. He will also seek orders stopping the companies from operating the restrictions.

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Year to 31st March	1976	1977	1978
Sales turnover (£000s)	6,148	7,969	9,624
Pre-tax profit (£000s)	190	561	844
Pre-tax profit per share	4·03p	11·88p	17·70p

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EEC studies aid for steel restructuring

From Peter Norman
Brussels, July 11

The European community may set aside a considerable sum of money to help member states over the social costs of restructuring their steel industries. Mr Henk Vredeling, the social affairs commissioner, disclosed today.

He said the commission had submitted a plan to the consultative committee of the European Coal and Steel Community which could involve the allocation of about £65m to help finance work-sharing schemes.

Ronald Kershaw writes: Significant advances in stainless steel home and export sales are forecast with the opening on Friday by the Duke of Edinburgh of a £130m development of the British Steel Corporation. The project comprises new plant at Sheffield and Panteg, South Wales

How the markets moved

The Times index: 205.02 + 0.87
The FT index: 467.3 + 1.8

Rises

BP	30p to 874p	Inv Tst Corp	9½p to 269p
Barclays Bank	3p to 315p	Hong K & Shang	8p to 340p
Fisons	8p to 368p	Lee Cooper	7p to 117p
Hawker Sidd	2p to 212p	Nat W'minstr	8p to 270p
Imperial Grp	1p to 77p	Reckitt & Col	7p to 477p
Harrison Cros	15p to 300p	Rotork	7p to 128p
Hillards	10p to 223p	Shell Trans	7p to 573p

Falls

Aless Discnts	5p to 230p	NEI	3½p to 104p
Camellia Inv	5p to 295p	P & O Dfd	2½p to 84p
Finlay J	7p to 360p	Plaxtons	3½p to 81½p
Guthrie Corp	13p to 365p	Sekers Int	3p to 88p
IDC Group	4p to 108p	Strecters	4p to 22p
Libanon	3p to 516p	Textured Jersey	1p to 29p
MFI Furn	3p to 102p	Wood SW	3p to 40p

Equities lost momentum.
Gilt edged securities retreated.
Dolla premium 109.88 per cent (effective rate 51.7 per cent).
Sterling lost half-a-cent to $1.8845. The effective exchange rate index was at 51.9.

Gold lost $1.25 an ounce to $185.625
SDR-$ was 1.24869 on Tuesday while SDR-£ was 0.661523.
Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1448.0 (previous 1447.1).

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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.70	1.64
Austria Sch	29.25	27.25
Belgium Fr	64.00	60.50
Canada $	2.17	2.10
Denmark Kr	10.96	10.46
Finland Mkk	8.21	7.86
France Fr	8.67	8.27
Germany Dm	4.04	3.82
Greece Dr	69.75	65.75
Hongkong $	9.05	8.60
Italy Lr	1635.00	1550.00
Japan Yn	405.00	380.00
Netherlands Gld	4.35	4.12
Norway Kr	10.51	10.06
Portugal Esc	86.00	81.00
S. Africa Rd	2.02	1.89
Spain Pes	150.00	143.00
Sweden Kr	8.88	8.48
Switzerland Fr	3.59	3.37
US $	1.94	1.88
Yugoslavia Dnr	36.00	34.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

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The Directors announce the following results for the year ended 31st March, 1978:

	1978 £	1977 £
Consolidated net revenue before taxation	348,128	344,679
Taxation	117,939	121,845
Consolidated net revenue after taxation	230,189	222,834
Dividends		
Interim 1.4% (1977—1.2%)	91,000	78,000
Final 2.25% (1977—2.1%)	146,250	136,500
(Decrease)/Increase in Revenue Reserve	£(7,061)	£8,334
Basic earnings per share	3.54p	3.43p

At the Annual General Meeting held on 19th June, 1978 the Chairman of the Company announced that the unaudited net asset value per share at 12th June, 1978 was 103p.

The disappointing net revenue figure is due in part to the *irregular incidence of dividend payments and in view of this and* in view of the fact that preliminary estimates indicate that there should be a satisfactory increase in net revenue for the year ending 31st March, 1979, the Directors have recommended an increase in net dividends from 3.3p to 3.65p even though this will mean a marginal decrease in revenue reserve.

Copies of the Report and Accounts are available from The Secretaries of the Company at 20 Cannon Street, London EC4M 6XE.

Planning pacts may be compulsory

By Maurice Corina
Industrial Editor

A Cabinet working party and the Labour Party's national executive committee are discussing the introduction of a new Industry Act which might make planning agreements between Government and companies compulsory.

Ministers are not too happy with some of the draft suggestions, but they are pressing for initiatives, such as new statutory powers, for more intervention in industry.

There is considerable pressure for the Government to acknowledge that its efforts to persuade companies to adopt planning agreements on a voluntary basis with Whitehall and their employees have been a failure.

The Labour Party's industrial policy committee argues that all companies with sales over £50m should be obliged to enter into negotiations, upon statutory order or request, to conclude planning agreements.

This, it says, should be backed up by making financial assistance to industry from the Government available only through planning agreements.

However, it is accepted that this raises problems of definition as to what comprises assistance and Mr Eric Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, is worried about the legal implications of possible discrimination over companies' rights to aid and allowances.

Party researchers have continued to press the idea of creating a National Planning Commission. They have in mind giving a major push to the work being done by sector working parties under the Government's present industrial strategy.

A document now under discussion proposes that a new Industry Act should raise the financial allocation to the National Enterprise Board.

It appears to argue that any new powers of intervention by the board ought to flow from an industrial planning system under which ministers would be armed with sufficient reserve powers of giving directives to companies.

One aspect of the Industry Act, 1975, which is being criticized by some party research members is the lack of use of the disclosure of information provisions, where the Department of Industry now operates safeguards to protect sensitive commercial information if a company objects objects to releasing facts and policy options to its workers.

It is being argued that disclosure should be made automatic on appropriate requests for information.

Briefly

Quarterly output of cars falls

British manufacturers' output of passenger cars dropped by 3 per cent during the second quarter of 1978 compared with the previous three months.

Provisional production figures issued by the Department of Industry yesterday show that, seasonally adjusted, the average number of cars produced monthly totalled 113,000 compared with 117,000 during the January to March period.

Production of commercial vehicles, however, showed an increase of 5 per cent. The seasonally adjusted monthly average for output during the second quarter was 35,200 compared with 33,700 three months earlier.

$120m sought in Sindona action

Signor Michele Sindona, the Italian banker, who is fighting extradition to Italy, has filed a suit in court in New York seeking $120m (about £66m).

He is seeking the recovery of $40m worth of stock he says he bought in a now defunct New York bank, plus $80m in punitive damages against Loew's Theatres Inc, Mr Laurence A. Tisch, chairman, and Lawton General Corporation.

More offshore work for UK companies

United Kingdom companies won 62 per cent of last year's offshire business in the British sector of the North Sea, an increase of 5 per cent on the previous year. This was shown today in the annual report of the Offshire Supplies Office, analysing orders placed for manufactured goods, supplies and services.

The total value of orders was £1,300m of which Britain's share was £806m.

Power chiefs in talks on boilermaking upset

By Nicholas Hirst
Energy Correspondent

Leaders of the electricity industry met Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy, last night in the wake of the collapse of government plans for rationalization of the United Kingdom power generation companies.

At the meeting in the House of Commons were Mr Glynn England, chairman, and Mr Fred Bonner, deputy chairman of the Central Electricity Generating Board, and Mr Austin Bunch, deputy chairman of the Electricity Council.

Although arranged before Northern Engineering Industries announced that it was withdrawing from talks with Babcock & Wilcox to merge their boilermaking interests at Gateshead and Renfrew, it provided an opportunity to discuss what action might now be taken.

A further meeting is to take place tomorrow when leaders of the Central and Scottish Electricity Boards meet Energy, Industry and Treasury ministers to try and sort out future policy.

A merger of Babcock and Wilcox and NEI's boilermaking activities was recommended by a report by the Central Policy Review Staff in December 1976 which was accepted by the Government.

It also recommended a merger of the turbine generator interests of GEC and Reyrolle Parsons, but this fell through last year. During the course of the various discussions Reyrolle Parsons merged with Clarke Chapman, which owns boilermaking interests at Gateshead, to form NEI.

One of the reasons given for the breakdown of talks on a boilermaking merger was the lack of a steady ordering programme of power station of the size suggested in the CPRS report.

At another meeting yesterday between Mr Benn, Sir Derek Ezra, chairman of the National Coal Board and Mr England, it was agreed to carry out further studies into the possibility of increasing the proportion of coal used at United Kingdom power stations on the clear understanding that none of the cost of burning coal in preference to any other fuel should fall on the consumer.

14pc pay rise for shipyard directors

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Staff

Local Directors at Smith's Dock, on Teesside, part of British Shipbuilders, have been awarded a 14 per cent pay increase as a result of a "fair wages" award by the Central Arbitration Committee.

The award followed a claim by the Engineers and Managers Association on behalf of managers at the yard. The union yesterday claimed the results as another victory in its battle for full union recognition at British Shipbuilders.

The association, recognition of which is being principally opposed by the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers (Technical, Administrative and Supervisory Section) said yesterday it had won a 15 per cent increase for managers through the award.

TASS had also submitted evidence on behalf of the managers, but, said the association, the award had been made on the basis of the EMA's evidence.

The parallel award for directors was made after management submitted evidence on their behalf in response to the EMA claim.

Warning on need to invest more in tourism

By Derek Harris
Commercial Editor

Investment in tourist facilities in England's development areas is now buoyant, but there could be a risk generally of under-investment in what is expected to be a growth industry into the 1980s, Mr Dick Reeves, director of development of the English Tourist Board, said at the presentation in London yesterday of the board's report for the past year.

Sir Mark Henig, chairman of the board, also gave a warning on the need to assess changes necessary to cope with the growth. He said: "Our established resorts are still the backbone of our domestic tourism industry, just as London is still the backbone of our business from overseas.

"But as London must plan now to accommodate the tourist millions of the eighties and nineties, so the established resorts must take note of the changing rates of British holidaymakers.

"What was good enough for holidaymakers in the 1890s or the 1930s will not necessarily be good enough in the decades ahead."

The board's report emphasizes that local authorities should realize that tourism was an important economic activity that could bring in new money and provide jobs as well as facilities which local residents could also enjoy.

If local authorities could be seen to be backing tourist development—one way being to build it into local structural planning—other investors, including industrial companies, would be more encouraged to put in the money needed to develop the potential of accommodation and facilities which already exist throughout England, the board feels.

BANK FIGURES

The following are the figures for eligible liabilities and reserve assets ratios of United Kingdom banks released by the Bank of England today:

At mid month	Eligible liabilities £m	Rise over 3 months at annual rate %	Reserve assets ratio
1977			
June	36,279	+15.7	14.0
July	37,084	+14.6	14.0
Aug	37,691	+22.5	14.5
Sept	38,793	+30.8	14.5
Oct	39,705	+31.4	14.5
Nov	40,196	+28.6	15.1
Dec	40,633	+22.9	14.9
1978			
Jan	41,632	+20.9	14.2
Feb	42,224	+21.6	14.0
March	42,575	+18.2	14.1
April	43,889	+23.5	13.9
May	44,503	+23.4	13.9
June	44,370	+18.1	13.8

BUDGET DEFICIT
(£ million)

Financial Years	National loans fund net lending	Deficit (−) from consolidated fund	Other transactions	Central government borrowing requirement
1977-78	944	5,216	−1,747	4,413
1977 Q1	215	362	− 11	572
Q2	584	1,558	− 414	1,723
Q3	− 47	960	− 639	274
Q4	159	1,766	− 46	1,879
1978 Q1	233	932	− 636	534
Q2	242	2,592	− 323	2,509
1978				
Jan	− 57	−1,414	346	−1,125
Feb	− 14	484	− 93	377
March	329	1,862	− 396	1,775
April	−109	363	174	453
May	359	1,472	− 280	1,551
June	− 48	732	− 219	465

Kawasaki to reduce yard jobs by 40pc

Tokyo, July 11.—Kawasaki Heavy Industries, the leading Japanese shipbuilder, said it will cut its shipbuilding capacity and workforce by about 40 per cent to help it overcome a business slump.

It intends cutting its 8,500 shipbuilding workforce by 3,500 before next April and will freeze operations of a 250,000-deadweight-ton building dock at Sakaide, and a 25,000 ton slipway at Kobe, both in western Japan, for at least six years.

Plan to cut customs forms for business air trips

By Kenneth Owen

Customs formalities for business aircraft flying abroad from the United Kingdom are to be streamlined and simplified. Radical changes in documentary procedures are recommended in an internal report by Customs and Excise.

Because of confusion caused to owners of general aviation aircraft by the multiplicity of customs forms, the report recommends that four existing declarations should be discontinued and replaced by a single, all-purpose document.

A three-year "certificate of free circulation" would be used by aircraft which are in free circulation within the European Communities.

Special arrangements used to date to assist United Kingdom businesses in international flights to promote exports—through the use of certain aerodromes not designated as customs airports—should be extended to all business flights, the report proposes.

Other proposed changes would allow business people to be accompanied by their husbands and wives; permit the export of accompanied freight; and ease other restrictions.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reform of income tax rules for the married woman

From Mrs Jose Weinberg

Sir, In spite of the publicity about what the Chancellor is going to do to improve the lot of married women, it appears that the opportunity is not being taken to change the basic rule of our tax system that the income of a married woman living with her husband is added to his and the total joint incomes are taxed as one. If that is not discrimination against married couples, then I do not know what discrimination is.

Even if a married couple elect to be separately assessed the overall tax bill is still assessed on the aggregated incomes of husband and with the result that any increase in the wife's income can affect her husband's liability on his share of the tax bill and vice versa—so the little woman of whom we have all heard in recent weeks, who tucks away a few pounds in a deposit account, is still in trouble.

It is really quite tragic if all those signatures pleading for tax reform, received from both men and women and collected by one of the women's magazines and *The Sunday Times* are going to result in no basic change. It is not just the tax forms that need to be looked at, but it is the taxation principle that husband and wife are one unit.

What the Government is proposing to do is nothing more that a public relations job involving yet more fiddling amendments—presumably to the Finance Act 1970, which is already virtually unintelligible as the result of the amendments made to it by the Finance Act 1971.

If married women and married men were to be treated in the same way as single men and single women for taxation purposes, at least that would be intelligible and not discriminatory, and why not!

JOSE WEINBERG,
91 Ebury Street,
London, SW1.

Record of state jobs agency

From Mr R. Broyd

Sir, The PER has announced (*Department of Employment Gazette*, June) that it is now showing a profit on its commercial trading account and that its fee income has increased by 40 per cent on the position of a year ago with fees of "more than £3m". In these times of unemployment everybody, including those of us who are PER's competitors in the private sector, must welcome improvements in services which help the unemployed.

However, I believe that the position of PER does bear closer examination in the context of its own announcement and also the minutes of evidence of the Public Accounts Committee ninth report, my source for the information I quote in this letter. It is important to remember that PER receives a Treasury grant or social subvention of more than £2.7m which it considers, in effect, as earned fee income for the purposes of assessing its profit of £30,000. This is an advantage which no private sector employment consultancy enjoys.

The number of placings achieved by PER's 36 offices has not increased significantly over previous years and is still around 8,000 people per annum, or less than one an office a day, and at an average salary of only between £4,000 to £5,000 pa. It is interesting that this is claimed to represent 70 per cent of such placements made by recruitment organizations.

Now, I cannot answer for the whole professional and executive placement market, but my group of specialist consultancies from 20 offices placing directly comparable staff to PER all over the country places very many more people than PER in both permanent and short-term engagements. Contrary to what PER maintains we are available to be consulted and to help those with problems in finding work, in addition to our obvious duty to the requirements of the employer who pays our fees, which are at similar levels to those charged by PER.

Although my company may be the largest single equivalent private sector group to PER, the rest of the equivalent agencies and consultancies are larger than we are by a multiple which may well be into double figures.

This figure of 70 per cent is simply wrong and needs to be corrected in order to recognize the enormous contribution of private agencies and consultancies who have always been as active in this area of the recruitment market as they are among many others.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD BROYD,
Career Care Group Ltd,
63/5 Moorgate, EC2.

BNOC and the oil companies

From Mr Pelham Ravenscr

Sir, BNOC may be held in esteem by the oil ind (" BNOC's oilfield accola July 5) but that surely is the point. BNOC is attem to produce for its shareho (that is, you and me) the r mum return from our nat asset. The more BNOC ge less the other oil companie so of course they are mou an insidious public rela campaign to denigrate B We must judge it on wh does for its shareholders.

Every important oil-pr ing country of the v (except for the United S where special conditions a has a national oil com whose powers and position relatively more important those of BNOC.

PELHAM RAVENSCROFT,
Akwoods Farmhouse,
Selborne,
Hampshire.

Creditors

From the Secretary to the L Commission

Sir, Your column ent "Round-up" in your issue July 1 discusses the Law mission report on interest. contributor says that sever the public utilities point that the proposals in the re in regard to statutory int would "lead to an increa number of households bein off from essential domestic plies".

I would like to explain the Law Commission's re makes it clear that a cre is not compelled to ch statutory interest—still les take any action if such a c ror does charge it and it rem unpaid.

J. M. CARTWRIGHT SH
The Law Commission,
Conquest House,
37-38 John Street,
Theobalds Road,
London WC1N 2BQ

Red hot poker

From Mrs Margaret Walte

Sir, May I offer this delic item to such of your rea who may be weary of new weight, drama and tragedy.

On Friday I had occasio telephone the local S offices to investigate a The young lady told me the same morning, ano consumer had complained receiving a bill for £461.8 and she only had a gas poke MARGARET WALTER,
4 Rectory Drive,
Bidborough,
Kent TN3 0UN.

Interest rates on mortgage repayments

From Mr A. A. Wells

Sir, I have heard from my building society that the rate of interest to be charged on my mortgage is to be increased on October 1.

The higher rate of interest, however, will not be charged on the amount which I owe on the date of its introduction, but on the amount outstanding on January 1, 1978. For that matter, the whole of the interest charged for 1978 will be based on the amount due on January 1 and all repayments during the year will be ignored when the interest charged for 1978 is computed.

I understand that this method of calculating interest is that commonly used by the societies and it is surprising that, despite their massive investment in computers, they are unable to calculate their interest on the reducing balance.

Any borrower who increases his repayments is, therefore, acting philanthropically and, until the method of charging interest is changed, would better advised to invest proposed increase with building society and to arr for the investment to be de ted from his mortgage on day that the society balance books. By so doing, he will incur any additional interest will earn interest on the in ment.

Yours faithfully,
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FISCAL YEAR 1977

GENERAL AND EXTRAORDINARY SHAREHOLDERS MEETINGS
HELD ON THURSDAY 8 JUNE 1978

The year 1977 witnessed the start of production of two North Sea gas fields: the Frigg field in the Norwegian and in the British zones, whose installations were inaugurated in May 1978 successively by the King of Norway and the Queen of England, and the L7 (Witte-Water) field in the Dutch zone. In the diversified activities sector, SNEA acquired M and T Chemicals, a subsidiary of the American Can Group; this acquisition will assure SNEA international impact in fine chemicals and significantly strengthen the Group's industrial position in the U.S.A.

Main activities in 1977

■ Exploration

Exploration expenditures reached 1.8 billion francs in 1977, or about 60 F per ton of hydrocarbons, among the highest levels in the profession. Exploration activity was more or less equally distributed among Europe, Africa and the rest of the world, with a slightly greater share for Africa.

■ Production

• **Crude oil and condensates:** 18.8 million tons against 18.2 in 1976.

• **Saleable natural gas:** 11.8 billion m³ against 10.2 in 1976. This increase reflects the start of new North Sea gas production (Frigg and Ekofisk).

• **Sulfur:** Thanks to an improved world economy, Lacq sales rose to about 500 million francs (20% over 1976) and Canada (net income) to about 40 million francs (+ 45%).

• **Coal:** Labor problems at the end of the year caused a drop in Aquitaine Pennsylvania shipments, which amounted to 1.25 million tons, against 1.38 in 1976.

• **Nickel:** Société Métallurgique Le Nickel (SLN), a 50% owned SNEA subsidiary, maintained its market share, but its sales fell slightly as compared with 1976.

■ Crude oil supply, refining and distribution

About 34 million tons of crude oil were supplied to Elf Aquitaine refineries in 1977, as compared with 36.6 million in 1976. The refining and distribution activities of the Group registered highly adverse results.

Elf Aquitaine's share of the French market in 1977, all products combined, rose to 23.30% from 22.80% in 1976. These products are sold under the Elf and Antar brands. Elf Moins, a new premium gasoline, was launched during the year.

■ Petrochemicals and plastics

These activities fall mainly under the wing of the ATO Group, owned in equal proportions (50%) by Elf Aquitaine and Total Chimie. ATO's total sales rose to 3.36 billion francs in 1977 (30% over 1976). Its self financing margin, with 206 million francs, remains about the same as in 1976.

■ Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetology

Total sales registered by the firms in which SANOFI (wholly owned subsidiary of SNEA) holds interests amounted to 2.33 billion francs in 1977 (18% over 1976).

New majority holdings were acquired in 1977. The cosmetology and pharmaceuticals branches were especially active, their total sales rising by 44% over 1976.

Financial situation

SNEA's new share profit for 1977 was 1238 million francs, or 82 francs per share, a figure comparable to those for 1975 (83 F) and 1976 (86 F). Net consolidated profit per share was 118 francs as compared with 95 francs in 1976. These results were approved by the General Shareholders Meeting of 8 June 1978.

■ Dividend

Total net dividends for the fiscal year 1977 amounted to 264.3 million francs, or 17.50 francs per share, against 16 francs in 1976. The dividend will be paid from 6 July 1978 against delivery of coupon No. 22. The tax credit (tax already paid) of 8.75 francs raises total income to 26.25 francs for a 50 franc face value share.

On adjournment of the General Shareholders Meeting, and Extraordinary Shareholders Meeting authorized the Board of Directors to raise the capital from 755,311,100 francs, in one or more increments, to a maximum of 906,373,300 francs, by the incorporation of reserves and consequently the distribution of shares dividend.



Mr. Shinbei Konishi, President, Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd.

Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd.

Takeda 武田薬品工業株式会社

Report by Mr. Shinbei Konishi, President, for the financial year ended 31st March, 1978

The Government has taken many measures to stimulate the Japanese economy, but recovery has still been slow and the business climate continued to be severe: radical appreciation of the Yen, increase of business failures and increased unemployment also characterised this period.

In each field of our business, competition continued to be keen, but through our efforts regarding cost reduction and improvement of operations, our total sales in this period amounted to ¥335,088 million and recurring profit amounted to ¥24,823 million, both of which substantially exceeded the respective amounts of the previous period.

Our net earnings, however, were ¥7,220 million, slightly below the previous period, after setting aside as a non-recurring loss the compensation paid for the settlement of the SMON litigation during the period and a reserve to provide for future settlement of the case.

In spite of the price reduction under the health insurance system, sales [illegible] pharmaceutical division increased through reinforcement of our scientific information activities and steady sales promotion. Ethical drugs, such as central nervous system drugs, enzyme preparations and antibiotic preparations as well as exports of vitamins and other bulk pharmaceuticals contributed to the sales growth.

In the food products division, a further readjustment of market stocks of seasonings was made and distribution channels were rearranged. The sales of beverages and seasonings increased to a higher level than expected and sales of food additives also continued to be good. In March, 1978, responding to market needs, "Plussy Orange Family Size" – 500ml bottle" (a soft drink) was introduced to the market and we expect future expansion as a result of this.

Despite the continuous weakness of the market, sales of the industrial chemicals division increased over the previous period as a result of careful attention to the requirements of our clients.

The agricultural chemicals division saw an increase in sales of main products in excess of target as a result of positive sales promotion. Cultivation of the overseas market for "Padan®" (an insecticide) and "Validacin®" (a fungicide) also contributed to the increase in sales.

Sales of the animal health products division also increased steadily supported by the increase in livestock production.

Though affected by the Yen's appreciation, total export sales increased 10% over the previous period as a result of the strong demand for bulk vitamins and the expansion of the pharmaceutical preparations market. Our overseas subsidiaries also continued to operate satisfactorily. We promoted joint research and development with influential enterprises in Europe and the U.S.A. in order to reinforce our overseas operations.

As for capital investment, manufacturing facilities were partially increased and facilities for safety and rationalisation were also installed. The amount of investment, mainly in manufacturing facilities for new products, will considerably increase from the next period.

Cash flow during the period was very smooth due to our continuous efforts towards efficient capital utilisation.

The above report covers the outline of our business activities during the period. The economic and social situation at home and abroad surrounding the industry will continue to be severe in the future. We wish to make further efforts to improve the quality and safety of our products, to strengthen our overseas activities and develop outstanding new products which will be well accepted in the world market, so that we can consolidate the foundation of our enterprise.

Finally, we wish to report to you the current situation of the SMON problems. It has been our sincere desire to solve these problems, at the earliest possible time, completely by settlement through the mediation of the courts. As you may know, settlement was reached in October, 1977, at the Tokyo District Court and in January, 1978, at the Okayama District Court with those plaintiffs who wanted to settle their cases. However, in March, 1978, the Kanazawa District Court issued a judgement against the Company. We have lodged an appeal against the judgement to the higher court. We will continue our further efforts to realise settlement with other plaintiffs on this matter.

We sincerely wish that we shall be favoured with your continued understanding and assistance.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Struggling to meet the 'corset' controls

With all the usual caveats about one month's outturn, and the fact that the June banking month only encompassed some 10 working days of the new "corset" restrictions on bank lending, yesterday's banking figures do nevertheless indicate that the London clearing banks are going to have their work cut out to get below their ceilings for interest-bearing eligible liabilities during the next two banking months.

As it is eligible liabilities for the banking sector as a whole only managed a 0.3 per cent fall despite the weight of gilt sales in the week or so after the Government's measures last month. But for the London clearers their liabilities rose by 1¼ per cent as borrowers switched their facilities away from the more market-related loans with overseas banks and accepting houses and took up their overdraft facilities with the clearers as short-term interest rates climbed quite steeply.

Faced with this increased lending demand—sterling advances to the private sector rose £591m in June with the underlying trend still pointing strongly upwards—the clearers had no option but to increase deposits, and while current accounts, which do not count under IBELS, continued to grow the £90m rise in sight deposits was insufficient to cope with the increase in lending.

True there has been some pruning back of loans to local authorities and from the inter-bank market but this has been partially offset by increased lending to the discount market and take-up of Treasury Bills because of the clearers' need to keep their reserve assets on an even keel.

Individual figures for the clearers also indicate that those who did not inflate their balance sheets in front of possible controls are having the most trouble in reducing their IBELS with Barclays, with its heavy commitment to its finance house and credit card subsidiaries, looking hard pressed while Midland seems to be better placed in cutting back its liabilities.

The gilt-edged market, with the implications of the banking figures being that money supply would show little or no fall next week, took the news as a slightly bearish pointer with falls at both the short and long ends even though the figures for the central government borrowing requirement earlier in the day had helped calm the market before the banking figures.

Meanwhile, the continued rise in private sector lending still suggests pressure on the money supply later on in the year and unless there is some improvement in the monetary aggregates next month the outlook is that interest rates could remain roughly where they are instead of seeing their expected decline at some point during the summer.

Pilkington Bros

Replacement of licensing income

Pilkington's accounts provide ample evidence of how it is beginning to see the benefits of an ambitious capital spending programme. In profit terms the completion of investment in South Africa and Scandinavia should ensure marked recovery in both markets. At home Pilkington's dominance in float glass should enable it to keep prices moving ahead, and it is now about to reap the fruits of three past technological developments, the Cemfil cement reinforcing agent; the new Ten Twenty laminated windscreen and Reactolite photochromatic glass. So profits, up from £62.7m to £71.7m last year, are set for another strong showing this year, and, counting some further increase in licensing income, should comfortably top £80m.

The balance sheet, too, is feeling the impact. Capital spending was down from £58m to £49.3m, while the rise in working capital was restricted to £12.5m compared to £46.4m the year before. Since gross cash flow was up from £96.6m to £113m, the group emerged with a positive net flow from operations of £21.7m, and borrowings were down from 31 to 21 per cent of shareholders' funds. Despite planned spending of £70m on a new float glass plant at St Helens, which will be phased over three years, cash flow seems likely to continue positive for some time to come so the ratios should continue moving in Pilkington's favour.

All this means that the run down in licensing income during the 1980s will be much less of a problem that it seemed likely to be until quite recently. Over the past three years licensing income has fallen from 57 to 46 per cent of pre-tax profits and this year, although it should be up in absolute terms, should again be down relatively. The fully taxed p/e ratio of under 8 at 543p does not recognize how Pilkington's past efforts are now starting to work through, however.

Wilkinson Match

A forecast achieved

Wilkinson Match has achieved the profits forecast of around £14m it made at the time of the True Temper deal with something to spare. Pre-tax profits are up 16 per cent to £14.3m despite severe setbacks in shaving products and writing equipment. There would have been an awful furore if it hadn't of course, but, together with a promise of an 18.4 per cent dividend hike, unless new legislation prevents it, all this pushed the shares up 4p to 167p yesterday. This is still below the level at the time the True Temper deal was struck, and is more than 90p less than Allegheny Ludlum paid Swedish Match for its initial 29 per cent stake in Wilkinson.

So, despite the blessing of the institutional holders the stock market still has its reservations about the prospective benefits of a deal devised mainly to increase Allegheny's holding to 44 per cent.



Mr Denys Randolph, chairman of Wilkinson Match.

Meanwhile, a £739,000 write-down on the closure of the Scripto writing instruments operations in the United Kingdom and Eire is a reminder of how bargain buys can turn sour. Wilkinson now claims to have got Scripto almost right but losses have more than doubled to £552,000 and with personal products' profits down from £3.6m to £735,000, the group has had to rely heavily on a near two-fifths boost to £10.5m on matches and lighters, largely as a result of price increases.

At 167p Wilkinson's p/e ratio is less than 8 and based on last year's results inclusion of True Temper after adjustment for the capital increase would reduce the figure to nearer 7½.

● *Having demonstrated a couple of weeks ago that its new professional management has got profits moving in the right direction, Pitman, best-known for its shorthand system but also a substantial manufacturer and publisher of books, has now got around to dealing with its archaic capital structure.*

The idea is to get some money out of the business for the controlling Pitman family; bring in some outside capital; rectify a topsy-turvy and overgeared balance sheet and put aside thoughts of an equity flotation until the climate is more favourable. With the help of Morgan Grenfell, Pitman proposes to achieve this by merging its existing deferred and 3½ per cent preferred capital and issuing £639,750 worth of new 10 per cent preference stock which can be placed for cash to the benefit of the family; varying the rights and redesignating as 10 per cent preference capital the 3.85 per cent preference capital and issuing 1.5 million new preference shares to institutions thus bringing in the new capital.

This will be used to reduce gearing to around 32 per cent and towards developing the business, though such a balance sheet restructuring should enable Pitman to borrow—or indeed issue more preference capital.

Meanwhile, the family and management remain in complete control through a new single class ordinary capital which still leaves the possibility that Pitman may float. With profits up to £1.3m last year, continuing a five-year growth pattern, and the capital structure about to be updated, that time need not be far off. An interim possibility may be 163(2) trading under Stock Exchange rules—if Pitman does this it would be a feather in the cap of the Stock Exchange's promotion of its over-the-counter facility.

Geoffrey Bell

Pitfalls along the EEC currency path

The immediate reaction in the foreign exchange markets to last week's Bremen initiative in trying to stabilize currencies has been one of total scepticism. Far from dampening speculation the European currencies have been pushed up sharply against the dollar.

Market operators take the view that the problems of smoothing out exchange rate fluctuations within the EEC are immensely complex and, if the new initiative basically will have the effect of causing more purchases of dollars by EEC countries, then they wish to buy European currencies now.

Since the beginning of floating exchange rates in 1973 European currencies have gyrated by truly massive amounts both against the dollar and within the EEC. Moreover, exchange rate volatility has increased dramatically over the period beginning with last September because of concern about the dollar.

Yet, despite the less than enthusiastic response to Bremen, the desirability of achieving a greater degree of currency stability cannot be disputed. The question is whether (and how) it can be achieved.

The political impetus behind the move towards European currency stability has a long history as an integral part of the dream of European economic and monetary union. This old idea has now been given a new breath of life by what is happening in the foreign exchange markets.

The Deutsche mark, Dutch florin and, more recently the French franc and the pound have risen sharply against the dollar. The result is that more and more exporters and importers are worried that the upward movement has been overdone and will cost them part of their markets.

At the same time, apart from the trend against the dollar, all the currencies have fluctuated by large amounts hour by hour in the markets both up and down. The combination of rising currency values and wild short-term fluctuations is bad for business investment and has been a major contributing factor to the present deflationary bias in western Europe.

Hence, it is small wonder that the political leaders of the EEC have embraced the concept once more. But this time the politicians are prepared to back it with money in the form of a substantial European Monetary Fund. The details of implementation have not been worked out and, to put it mildly, it will not be easy.

Theoretically, it is possible to ensure total exchange rate stability if central banks are willing to buy or sell their own currencies in the amounts offered to them by the foreign exchange markets. This was the basis of the old Bretton Woods system which finally collapsed in 1973 because of the unwillingness (and inability) of central banks to buy or sell virtually unlimited amounts of currencies.

> 'The details of implementing the Bremen initiative have not been worked out, and to put it mildly, it will not be easy'

Countries with weak currencies saw their international reserves disappearing and countries with strong currencies saw their domestic money supplies exploding as they issued more and more of their own currencies. Therefore, the key to achieving success in exchange rate stabilization is dealing with international capital movements: the bigger the movements, the greater the problem and vice versa.

Capital flows from one currency to another tend to be smaller the greater is the extent to which the currencies are linked economically. For example, the Deutsche mark and Dutch florin usually move in line together against the dollar. Investors regard an investment in one of these currencies as a good alternative to being invested in the other and so are not tempted to switch from one to the other.

On the other hand, the Deutsche mark and the Japanese yen are regarded as alternatives to the dollar and enormous capital movements take place in and out of the dollar.

If all the currencies of Western Europe moved reasonably closely together (without central bank intervention) against the dollar, then the task of smoothing out any day-to-day fluctuations within the EEC would be fairly easy.

The block of currencies, be it as snake, boa or any other reptile, could well move up or down by significant amounts against the dollar but changes in the block would be modest and evened out by small sales or purchases of currencies by central banks.

But the fact is that the currencies of Western Europe show no such generalized pattern. This can be illustrated by looking at movements of the principal European currencies against the dollar and against the Deutsche mark.

ABSOLUTE MOVEMENT IN CURRENCY VALUES
(March 1973-End June 1978)

	Against $(%)	Against DM(%)
Pound sterling	−26	−45.5
French franc	−1.5	−27.4
Dutch florin	+30.2	−4.0
Swiss franc	+70.7	+25.8
Deutsche mark/dlr	+35.7	−26.3

MEAN WEEKLY EXCHANGE RATE MOVEMENTS
(1973-End March 1978)

	Against $(%)	Against DM(%)
Pound sterling	0.65	0.92
French franc	0.76	0.64
Dutch florin	0.90	0.36
Swiss franc	1.1	0.69
Dlr/Deutsche mark	0.91	0.91

While the Deutsche mark and florin have risen by over 30 per cent against the dollar since March, 1973, the French franc has fallen 1.5 per cent, the pound 26 per cent and the lira 35 per cent. Taking shorter periods such as from January, 1977, and since last September the linkage has been closer but not that close.

The strongest economy in Western Europe is the German and the dominant currency is the Deutsche mark which is also the next most important international currency to the dollar. That means, in the event of the establishment of a currency block, any one EEC currency will be greatly influenced by its relationship to the Deutsche mark.

Yet the French franc, the pound and the lira have not moved at all in line with the Deutsche mark. Over the period since March, 1973, the French franc has fallen 27 per cent, the pound 45 per cent and the lira 52 per cent against the Deutsche mark. Only the Dutch florin has been stable.

From the point of view of exchange rate stabilization it is just as important to look at short-term changes in currency values as against longer term changes in absolute values. The fact is that exchange rates vary up and down, day by day and week by week, whether or not they are tending to rise or fall against particular currencies.

Given that a critical element in the Bremen initiative is to smooth out these fluctuations it is useful to examine the actual weekly volatility of European currencies against the dollar and the Deutsche mark.

The first observation is that the degree of exchange rate volatility has increased sharply for all currencies in the past few months. This is not surprising because of heavy selling of dollars, but what perhaps is not so obvious is that currency fluctuations against the Deutsche mark have also increased dramatically.

More importantly, over the period since the beginning of floating, the pound has been significantly more stable against the dollar than against the Deutsche mark and the French franc has exhibited about the same degree of instability against the dollar as against its neighbouring currency.

The fundamental conclusion to be drawn is that, with the exception of one or two currencies like the Deutsche mark and Dutch florin, the principal European currencies do not naturally move together. They are regarded as separate currencies by the foreign exchange markets and by the chief international holders of investible funds.

Consequently, any effort to bring them together in closer alignment is likely to be expensive in terms of the needed degree of central bank currency intervention. And the same argument can be couched in purely economic rather than exchange market terms: namely, the economies do not move together with respect to growth and inflation rates and balance of payments positions.

Nevertheless, on the assumption that the effort to achieve currency unity is put into effect, even if some currencies are only loosely affiliated, the question of the form of intervention becomes an issue.

It is reported from Bremen that central banks will intervene primarily in the currencies of the participants and that countries would subscribe large amounts of their own currencies to the European Monetary Fund as well as dollars and gold. However, at present, virtually all central bank intervention in the foreign exchange markets takes place in dollars.

If the German central bank wishes to stop the Deutsche mark from rising against the French franc, it buys dollars and sells Deutsche marks. Similarly, if the Bank of England wanted to increase the value of the pound because the Deutsche mark had risen against the dollar, the bank would sell dollars to buy pounds.

Intervention in European currencies will succeed in achieving stability only if there is no outside pressure on the entire block. If, for example, there is a continued desire on the part of dollar holders to diversify their assets and buy Deutsche marks, the Deutsche mark will be forced up and all of the other currencies in the block would have to follow.

Then, it would be no use intervening solely in European currencies because asset holders are trying to sell dollars. The decision would have to be made of whether to allow the block to rise vis-à-vis the dollar or whether to buy dollars and sell Deutsche marks, keeping the block stable. The danger with the second course of action is that the German money supply would rise.

To make the scheme work the hope must be to reduce the instability of the dollar. The very proper desire to achieve European currency stability is really part of a worldwide problem of exchange rate volatility and instability. It is difficult to see one being achieved without the other except by dollar purchases.

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India's drive to push up exports

India has started a new drive to build up its exports, in view of its trade deficit of nearly 5,800m rupees (about £380m) in the financial year that ended in March. This contrasts with a trade surplus of 690m rupees in the previous year and expectations that there would again be a surplus in 1977-78.

According to provisional estimates, the value of exports in 1977-78 was 52,530m rupees and imports stood at 58,330m rupees.

The setback to exports in 1977-8 was due mainly to restrictions on the export of several items of mass consumption. Curbs were placed on the export of groundnuts, edible oils, tea, pulses, rice, vegetables, cement and sugar and on a few other items with a view to ensuring an adequate supply in the domestic market.

The slow rate of growth of industrial production, which was only about 5 per cent last year, compared with twice that in 1976-77, also had its impact.

Slacker world trade in 1977, the fluctuations in the international currency markets and the increasing trend towards protectionism in many developed countries were among the other factors which affected India's exports.

The government therefore recently decided to give a strong boost to export promotion in 1978-79, making clear that it continues to attach high importance to exports. This explanation was necessary because of an impression in the country that the government had been indifferent to their growth.

Mr Mohan Dharia, the Commerce Minister, has said that a sustained increase in exports is essential to enable the Government to augment its earnings of foreign exchange to pay for imports of machinery and raw materials.

Though India at present has foreign exchange reserves of nearly 50,000m rupees, the need for a high level of exports is still felt to be necessary in view of the uncertainty of the monsoon, which can affect agricultural production and upset balance of payment calculations, and the increasing need for imported capital goods and raw materials.

The government has also liberalized its import policy to try to meet the needs of the export-oriented industries.

It has identified certain "dynamic sectors of exports", such as engineering goods, garments, gems and jewelry and other kinds of handicrafts, marine products, leather and leather manufacturers, and chemicals. These are expected to account for about 60 per cent of the projected growth in exports during the sixth five-year plan.

The government has appointed task forces for major product groups to draw up programmes aimed at achieving larger surpluses for export through better use of installed capacity, modernization of machinery, exploration of new markets and identifying new items for export.

It seems doubtful, however, if the country will be able to achieve the expected results in export earnings during the present financial year. Industrial production has been hampered by labour unrest and shortages of electricity in many states. Confusion and contradictions in the government's economic policies have also discouraged investment.

Attacks on big business houses and large-scale industries launched in past months by some government leaders has not been conducive to a climate of industrial expansion and export growth.

But India's exports have been handicapped by several factors over which the Government has had little control, such as frequent increases in shipping freight rates, import restrictions imposed by other countries and acute competition from synthetics and substitutes, as in the case of jute.

Industrialists believe indeed that the Government's policies towards export promotion have not been as helpful in these circumstances as they could have been. They mention the reduction in the amount set apart in the central budget for export market development ment allowance. For 1977-78 this was 3.250m rupees but in the budget for 1978-79 it has been reduced by 830m rupees.

The government meanwhile expects small industries to contribute increasingly to the earnings of foreign exchange. Small industries' exports are estimated to have earned 8,780m rupees in 1976-77 compared with 6,370m rupees in the preceding year.

The government is laying more stress on their role because of their contribution to the growth of employment, though it is criticized for not fully acknowledging the fact that the small industries have better prospects for development as ancillaries to the large ones.

Therefore, to the extent that the development of large industries is stifled due to ideological considerations, the growth of small units also is bound to be affected.

India's share in world exports has been negligible—only 0.55 per cent in recent years. It remains to be seen whether the country will be able to improve on this in the near future.

The potential for export is indeed substantial. Mr Dharia has said that India can become the world's leading exporter of agricultural and horticultural products

But the question is whether the Janata Government will be able to create sufficient enthusiasm among merchants and manufacturers to sell their goods in the distant and difficult markets of the world in preference to the vast home market.

R. J. Venkateswaran

Business Diary: A whiff of politics • Remploy's Owen

Well now, thought I, when the Tory front bencher Jim Prior rose to his feet yesterday and said: "I am associated with Avon in a manner which may come as a surprise to some of the people in this room."

Prior made this declaration of interest not in the House but in the Savoy Hotel. It was here that Avon (the cosmetics people, not the tyremakers) announced yesterday an extension to their British factory.

Certainly, there is much in Avon's range of 600 or so products likely to interest politicians of all sexes.

Take, if you will, Sweet Honesty, a perfumed talc, or its companions Charisma and Resilience. Indeed, there is yet another talc called Timeless, but there probably would not be much call for that at Westminster, where most people seem to be around for ever.

It is election year, however, so Avon could well sell plenty of lip salve for kissing babies; and Prior, the Tories' make-up man in charge of beautifying relations with the unions, might be able to use some hand cream after slapping so many TUC backs.

But I digress. Prior was at the Savoy out of interest not in using but in making Avon cosmetics. It is little known (that is, I didn't know) that he is deputy chairman of the British subsidiary of the New York-based multinational.

It was in this capacity that he appeared at one of Avon's rare public meetings (even the cosmetics themselves are sold by Avon representatives in the privacy of customers' own homes) to make august noises in support of Avon's British managing director, Brian Crosby.

Crosby had an exciting tale to tell, in so far as his company is to spend about £18m in expanding its factory at Northampton.

Yet neither he nor Prior, the shadow Employment Secretary, said anything about jobs. This was strange when you consider that the Department of Industry is making the company a selective employment grant of nearly £2 a.

Prior made a speech brief but devoid of political interest. It was the oratorical equivalent of dabbing a powder puff on the angry face of British labour relations as perceived by some American employers

Avon's investment was a gesture of faith in a country others were writing off as a place where people were always on strike, when "nothing could be further from the truth".



Photograph by John Manning

A fragrant £18m: Jim Prior (left) and Avon Cosmetics' Brian Crosby in London yesterday

So saying, Prior delivered the ritual invitation of questions, but in a new way—by leaving the platform joking "as far as I am concerned, as long as the questions are answered by other people, that's all right with me".

A most reticent chap for a shadow minister, Prior. As he was being lined up in front of a pile of Avonry for a photograph I heard him exclaim in dismay "My God! Are we going to get a picture in *The Times*?"

I took him at his word as it was to other Avon employees I looked for answers to the questions that had occupied me throughout his speech: what, for instance, could Prior use to tone down the perennial pinkness of his face? A foundation cream called Simply Delicate seemed to be one possible answer.

I learned that there had not been a stoppage due to an industrial dispute at Northampton since Avon started production there in 1959. Except, of course, for the three-day week which came about when Prior was last in office.

Extra jobs were not mentioned by the two speakers because, as I learnt afterwards, there are not going to be any "in the short term". Had not the new money been pumped in, some of the existing 900 jobs might have been lost.

Lastly, it seems unlikely that Prior's three years at Avon will have done much to equip him for his party role as pacifier of the unions. The British subsidiary of Avon cosmetics does not recognize unions.

■ Trevor Owen, ICI's personnel manager-development and therefore functional head of recruiting, has caused a vacancy in his own office. He has been recruited as managing director of Remploy on the retirement of Oliver Philpot.

It is fitting that Owen, who is 50, should be bowing out ahead of retirement age, because one of his duties for the last seven years has been to encourage executives to move on once they had "done their bit" at ICI.

He tells me cheerfully that he answered an advertisement for the new job, even though it means a "colossal" drop in salary.

"We won't be rolling in money, but we shall be able to live. It's a job I want to do."

Had he switched earlier, Owen might have been able to put a little work in the way of Remploy's printers and bookbinders. He is chairman of the executive committee of the Institute of Manpower Studies and has written a first book, *Making Organizations Work*, which the Dutch publishers Martinus Nijhoff are bringing out soon. Remploy, the Government-owned industrial organization providing sheltered employment for more than 10,000 handicapped people, is already working well. Philpot, who came from the Vestey group five years ago, has seen to that.

■ Strong rumours are emanating from Hollard Street, Johannesburg's financial centre, that the next man at the top of Johannesburg Consolidated Investments, known popularly as Johnnies, will be Gordon Waddell, a director of the giant Anglo American Corporation.

Johnnies' present chairman is Sir Albert Robinson. Although he has several years to go before official retirement, it is suggested that Anglo, whose holding in Johnnies in its own right and through subsidiaries is 41 per cent, would like to do a little tidying up. And who better than Waddell, himself a shareholder in Anglo and ex-son-in-law of none other than Anglo chairman Sir Harry Oppenheimer?

Waddell was also MP for a Johannesburg constituency until the last election when the job was taken over by Zach de Beer, another clan member.

Ross Davies



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ASSETS

Cash on Hand and Due from Banks	$156,881,289
U S Government Securities, Direct and Guaranteed	74,661,685
State Municipal and Other Public Securities	63,248,861
Federal Funds Sold	20,000,000
Loans and Discounts	180,436,512
Customers Liability on Acceptances	13,623,657
Other Assets	26,151,723
	$534,803,707

LIABILITIES

Deposits		$464,302,203
Federal Funds Purchased		15,100,000
Acceptances Less Amount in Portfolio		14,184,329
Other Liabilities		7,951,891
Capital	$14,000,000	
Surplus	19,265,284	33,265,284
		$534,803,707

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Gilts set the varying mood of the da

"That was the rally that was" must be the verdict on yesterday's showing. At first the market showed every sign of extending the 9.9 gain in the *FT* index made on Monday. Once more small buyers found dealers early out of stock with not a seller in sight.

But the mood changed after lunch on fears that the day's economic news would not be quite as good as some had hoped. Many were also confused by the outcome to the Bremen Summit.

British adherence to Franco-German scheme for currencies presented at the Bremen Summit would, some City men argue, have ensured our own Government's continued fidelity to cautious monetary policies.

Gilt edged set the varying mood of the day by rising spritely at first. Initial gains reached a ¼ as Government stocks were buoyed by the slackening in wholesale price inflation reported on Monday.

The gains had already been pared to around ¼ just before the latest figures for the Central Government Borrowing Requirement and bank's United Kingdom eligible liabilities in mid-June came out.

The CGBR has indeed fallen in June from the month before but it was distinctly higher than in June 197. A change in the flow of tax receipts was thought to be partly to blame. The eligible liabilities of the whole banking system did show a tiny drop in the month to mid-June but those of the clearing banks actualy rose.

It seems a case of the market expecting too much rather than some unforeseen trend but all the same, gilt edged promptly lost all the day's gains. Indeed they wound up with losses of a ¼ in "longs" and frequent falls of ¼ or ½ in "mediums" and "shorts".

The news took the heart out of equities, all but wiping out earlier good gains. Small buying had put up the FT index by 2.7 at 10 am. By noon the advance was as good as 5.5. But the index could not hold on. By 3 pm the gain was only 3.1 and at the close the rise was a tiny 1.8 to 467.3.

There were however plenty of features. **Reckitt and Colman** went up 7p to 477p on the possibility that it may go overseas. Hopes of much bigger dividends carried **John Brown** 4p up to 392p and **S. and W. Berisford** 3p to 146p ahead of next week's interim bulletin. Some say that Berisford wants to double its payout.

Gestetner, with figures next week put on 3p to 198p. **Pilkingtons**, on the one-for-one scrip issue and full accounts sprang 15p to 543p and good interim profits had **Donald Macpherson** up 4p at 69p. Dealers liked the forecast yearly figures from **Wilkinson Match** and they rose 4p to 167p.

But there were for a change some significant moves the other way. **Streeters of Godalming** shed a further 4p to 22p on its Saudi contract troubles. **British Dredging's** sale of a subsidiary to Ready Mixed Concrete, rather than a bid from that quarter prompted a 4p fall to 25p.

Babcock and Wilcox slipped 1p to 131p on the end of talks with **Northern Engineering Industries** to form a National Boiler Company, but Northern faded 3p to 104p. **De Beers** slid 3p to 379p on what some thought were slightly disappointing volume sales figures from the Central Selling Organization.

P and O held up reasonably well in losing only 2p to 84p amid comment on the toughness of trading. Disappointing annual figures had **Ratners (Jewellers)** down 2p to 70p while nervous profit taking after a great rise had **Guthrie** 13p off at 365p.

Among sectors s advances were scored. In ba awaiting the interim divic season, **Lyods** rose 6p to while **Barclays** put on 3p 315p. **Midland** were good f 3p gain to 348p and Nat went ahead by 8p to 270p

Stores too had some spots. **British Home St** hardened 2p to 187p and rose the same amount to **Marks & Spencer** went better to 150p.

Lynton Properties rose 2p to 126p. A revaluation of properties is on the way and some say that it will show net assets a share of between 200p and 225p. If so, the shares could move towards 140p, given the usual discounts property shares have on their asset backing.

"JY" Ribbons, the nylon polyester webbing group unchanged at 77p yester Broker Smith Keen Cutler just arranged a placing of BSG stake at 71p. The rel of this holding to sundry stitutions is taken by some prelude to an eventual bid.

Equity turnover on July 10 £80.186m (19,544 barga Active stocks yeste according to Exchange graph were BP, H. Shell, A Int, Turner and Ne Guthrie, Marks & Spencer, Ind, Hillards, Gestetner, L set, and Pilkington.

Latest results

Company Int or Fin	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year' total
Gen Con Invst (I)	—(—)	0.35a(0.31a)	1.9(1.7)	1.3(1.2)	7/8	—(—)
J. & H. Jackson (I)	—(—)	0.57(0.55)	2.38(2.31)	0.3(0.4)	14/8	—(—)
Kelvin Watson (F)	3.5(3.0)	0.55(0.34)	8.9(5.2)	1.28(1.13)	—	—(—)
D. Macpherson (I)	31.5(28.0)	1.7(1.3)	5.5(4.6)	1.25(0.94)	4/9	—(—)
Marling Indst (F)	14.3(11.4)	0.89(0.47)	4.3(1.9)	0.62(0.52)	6/10	—(—)
Moorgate Invest (F)	0.33(0.28)	0.28(0.23)	4.0(3.2)	2.3(—)	30/8	3.8(3.6
N.M.C. Invets (F)	—(—)	0.18(0.11)	2.5(0.8)	1.4(1.3)	4/9	—(—)
Neil & Spencer (I)	6.3(4.7)	0.36(0.28)	—(—)	1.15(0.81)	2/10	—(—)
Ratners (Jewllrs) (F)	15.8(11.2)	1.5(1.4)	7.9(1.4)	0.19(—)	—	—(0.84
Second Gt Nrthrn (F)	—(—)	0.66(0.56)	2.0(1.7)	1.3(1.1)	13/9	2.0(1.7
St George's L'dry (F)	1.2(1.0)	0.04(0.01)	1.1(0.3)	0.2(0.1)	—	0.5(0.4
Textured Jersey (F)	7.5(7.59)	0.27(0.12)	4.2(2.9)	0.5(Nil)	2/10	1.0(Nil
Wilkinson Match (F)	192.3(182.6)	14.3(12.3)	22.8(20.1)	6.2(4.9)	1/10	10.0(8.

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence pjer share. Elsewhere in Business News divid are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.49. Profits are st pre-tax and earnings are net. a=Net.

Mooloya gains control

The hotly contested and partly revised bid by Mooloya Investments has gone unconditional and the group now owns, has confirmed agreements or has acceptancen in respect of a total of 55.8 per cent of Customagic Manufacturing shares.

The offer has been extended until next Monday but the 20p per share cash alternative closed last Monday. Uncommitted shareholders are thus left to ponder Mooloya's loan stock offer and the additional 1p cash per share on which the Takeover Panel insisted after it had ruled that certain Customagic shareholders were being offered extraordinary induce ments to accept the bid. Mooloya, advised by its brokers whose partner is a substantial Customagic shareholder, valued its new loan stock at par.

Dutch expansion slows Ratners (Jewellers)

By Ray Maughan

Given dividend freedom, Ratners (Jewellers) would pay a gross total distribution of 3.5p per share for the year to end-April last. As it is, a second net interim dividend of 0.297222p lifts the total thus far to 0.641994p per share but, if restraint is raised, a net final of 1.91486p would be declared additionally.

The shares dropped 3p yesterday to 70p where the mooted gross yield might be 5 per cent. The board, headed by chairman and managing director, Mr L. M. Ratner, points out that "the expansion of profits over the past five years, during which there has been unrelieved restraint, has caused severe distortion to the natural course of dividend policy, which the directors are impatient to correct".

The net projected dividend would be covered three times by earnings last year but, at first sight, it is difficult to understand the cause of the board's impatience. Pre-tax profits for the period rose by only 12.4 per cent to £1.59m after a 36 per cent sales rise since United Kingdom margins suffered by the unprecedented competitiveness of the domestic jewellery market and persistent inflationary pressures on margins.



Mr Leslie Ratner, managing director of Ratners.

But this picture overk the cost of setting up sho Holland. The net in development cost of oper five retail outlets in country cost £116,000 w would leave the British tribution some 21 per ahead at £1.7m.

The Dutch subsidiary reported to be sho "promise" with similar over and margins to United Kingdom counterpa

Ratners' ability to expan a small and fragmented ma to retain its competitive and to expand its retail work stems from the Jac manufacturing offshoot. rently producing 40 per of total products sold, Jac ensures stable and depend supplies. Seven new sites opened in Britain last and since April other st have been or are being acqu for opening this year, inc ing a new unit at York.

Sales are currently mo upwards and the board estir that the present market v of the freehold and leasel properties is some £2.65m book value.

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Statement by the Chairman, Mr. L. J. Tolley, C.B.E.

The 48th Annual General Meeting of Renold Limited will be held on 3rd August at Renold House, Wythenshawe, Manchester

INTRODUCTION

During the year, hopes faded for a significant increase in economic growth in the industrialised world. Despite the buoyancy of the automobile industry, overall output levels remained almost unchanged with a progressively slower rate of expansion in the United States and lower levels of activity in Western Europe. This slowdown was also reflected in such primary producing countries as Australia and South Africa.

Inevitably the stagnation in world economic activity had a depressive effect on demand for Renold products which are designed to serve the industries of the world. To some extent this situation was anticipated and, as a result of action taken earlier, the performance of the United Kingdom companies was safeguarded with profit on trading maintaining its 1976/7 level. It is the results of the overseas companies which have depressed the overall Group profit, with reductions in almost all countries. Whilst actions were taken promptly to counteract the sluggishness of industrial demand and output and the deterioration in the economic conditions in the countries concerned, the benefits are not yet reflected in the results. In addition, the strengthening of sterling, while welcome in many contexts, resulted this year in currency losses instead of gains.

Despite continued inflation, albeit at a lower rate, our systems of control of current assets, particularly of stocks distributed world-wide in the interests of customers, has resulted in the cash position continuing to be satisfactory. Our financial resources have been reinforced by an agreement made with Lloyds Bank for a 10 year unsecured loan of £10 million which will be drawn down as necessary to meet the costs of medium term investments and for the modernisation and expansion of our equipment. Also, since the end of the overseas financial year, we have completed the refinancing of our borrowings in the United States and have renegotiated facilities of $12 million with our American bankers. Our financial resources are therefore adequate for all foreseeable needs.

PERSONNEL

Successful industrial performance in the future requires availability of good Managers and if this is to be achieved it is essential that some means be found in the United Kingdom to allow them to be rewarded to a degree commensurate with their importance and for the decline in their real remuneration to be significantly reversed.

It is not easy to maintain morale when a world manufacturing recession, affecting the engineering industry, has resulted in low demand and under-used capacity with a consequential reduction, over the last three years, in the number of people employed throughout the Group. It is only by the efforts of our Management, supported by all other employees, that it has been possible to maintain an efficient organisation ready to respond to future increases in demand.

WORLD MANUFACTURE

For demand to come to fruition there needs to be a greater concentration on the needs and prospects of manufacturing industry and it is significant that the leaders of the western world are involved in continuing discussions and conferences aimed at finding a co-ordinated policy for its re-activation.

Many traditional industries in the countries concerned have been destroyed or seriously damaged by imports from Eastern Europe and Far Eastern countries. Some of the destruction was inevitable but some should never have been allowed to happen: the deterioration will continue if the wrong kind of competition is allowed to operate without counteraction by governments.

In Western Europe, in particular, living standards cannot be maintained nor increasing unemployment avoided unless new technology industries are created and traditional industries, which have been unfairly damaged, regenerated. Governments must be prepared to give to these industries the necessary protection to allow the regeneration to take place and this can surely be done without sacrificing the principle of free trade fairly conducted.

This must happen before the skills and know-how appropriate to these industries are lost for ever. But if action is taken quickly the industries and the people concerned in them can be expected to respond.

GROUP RESULTS

	This Year £'000	Last Year £'000
Sales	113,498	116,162
Profit on Trading	12,972	15,102
— UK Companies	8,699	8,615
— Overseas Companies	4,273	6,487
Ordinary Stock Earnings per £1 unit	17·0p	18·5p
Dividend per £1 unit	9·4410p	8·5442p

THE ECONOMIC SCENE

Inflation is still a world-wide problem, despite the efforts now being made. Major countries are reluctant to stimulate their economies whilst excessive wage claims continued to be made and there is the threat of rising raw material prices. There are no signs of any country breaking out of these limitations. Consequently, world demand, particularly for capital goods, remains at a low level and no immediate improvement is likely.

GROUP PROSPECTS

Given these present uncertainties, it is difficult to be positive about trends in the immediate future for products whose demand stems from the need to expand and modernise world manufacturing capacity. However, some sections of Renold business are showing signs of improved strength; our new products and new applications are confidently expected to make a greater contribution in 1978/9 and subsequent years and efficiency is being improved continuously in our operations both in the United Kingdom and overseas. We cannot forecast greatly improved results in the short term although we have no hesitation in expressing our confidence in success over the medium term.

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Rotork balances capital employed

The board of Rotork is proposing to recommend scrip issues of cumulative preference shares and ordinary shares. The board proposes subject to the passing of a resolution at an extraordinary general meeting to be held on August 4, that £2.5m be capitalized and applied in paying up in full 1.5 million 9½ per cent cumulative preference shares and 9.3 million ordinary shares, credited as fully paid. This will be on the basis of one preference share for every six ordinary held and one new ordinary share for each ordinary share held.

The proposed issue will result in a more conventional balance between the issued share capital and the capital employed. The issued share capital will be increased from £929,000 to £3.4m against the total issued share capital and reserves of £7m.

GOLD WORKING PROFITS (Rm)

	June qtr	March qtr
Venterspost	1.45	1,197
Doornfontein	7.48	4.58
West Drie	64.45	49.4
Libanon	9.95	7.33
East Drie	51.9	43.6
Vlakfontein	1.02	0.272
Kloof	20.5	12.4

*=Loss.

The most extreme example of the distortion was at Vlakfontein where the average price received shot up from $174.4 to $333 an ounce.

But tonnage milled was up 3 per cent at 2,907,000 tons, offsetting the fall in grade from 14.5 grammes a ton to 14.2 grammes a ton. Gold recovered rose 1 per cent to 41,200 kilogrammes.

Consolidated Gold Fields quarter

Gold mines in the Consolidated Gold Fields Group received an average price for their gold of $223.6 an ounce in the quarter to June, against $172.4 for the previous quarter.

But the results are distorted so much by the non-recurring payments resulting from the change on April 11 by the Reserve Bank of South Africa to paying immediately at the market price that they bear no comparison.

Kelvin Watson back on growth footing

A 62 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £555,000 has put optical group R. Kelvin Watson back its previous path of "forward progress" following its hiccup in profits last year. Turnover for the year to March 31 has increased from £3.1m to £3.6m. Earnings are 8.2p, compared with 5.28p and a second interim of 1.91p lifts the total from 3.3p to 3.6p gross. If legislation permits a further dend will be proposed. group has reached agreem with the National Research Development Corp to estab a major joint project for de opment and marketing of a continuous soft wear con lens.

Sec Great Northern Trust pays more

In the year to May 31, pre revenue of the Second G Northern Investment Trust from £569,000 to £663,000. earnings per share up fr 1.74p to 2.04p, the total gr dividend is being raised fr 2.68p to 3p. The interim ment, gross, for the curr year is also being lifted. fr 1.06p to 1.19p.

At the year-end, the net as value per share reached 116. against 103.3p a year earlier

Midland Bank floater starts trading

A $125m 15-year floating-r note issue of Midland Ba started trading yesterday between 98.75 and 99 do from issue price of par.

The notes, which have amortization features, b semi-annual interest at above London Interba Offerd Rates for six-mon Eurodollar deposits or 5.5 cent.

Briefly

GREENBROOK-BARGET
Greenbrook Secs, which in March had an 11 per cent stake in Barnet through its subsidiary, Bunting Estates, has reduced its holding below 5 per cent.

HARDY (FURNISHERS)
Hardy sold in June its leasehold interest in premises at Portland Place, London, for £202,500 cash.

TALBEX
Artoc Bank and Trust has sold on behalf of clients 130,648 Talbex shares. This sale is in accordance with the requirements of the Panel on Takeovers consequent upon the proposed acquisition by Talbex from Artoc of the Skelton Group.

ADWEST-BURNHAM
Proposed acquisition by Adwest Group of Burnham and Sons from Duport is not to be referred to Monopolies Commission.

MANCHESTER AND MET INVST TRUST
Acceptances received in respect of offer for Manchester and London Investment Trust amount to 541,447 shares (54.05 per cent). Offer now unconditional and remains open.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES
Coupon rate is down from 10½ per cent to 10 per cent. This week's biggest borrowers are City of Glasgow District Council which is raising £2m, Strathclyde Regional Council £1m, City of Kingston Upon Hull £1m, Leicester City Council £1m, Bolton Metropolitan Council £1m and Borough of Sunderland £1m.

VALOR
Shareholders in Valor, the gas heater and cooker firm, are to be offered a 33⅓ per cent discount on the price of one of the company's mobile gas cylinder heater.

HARTWELLS GROUP
Board announces that 1,612,254 ordinary shares (92.7 per cent) of the 1,739,167 shares offered by way of rights have been taken up.

NMC INVESTMENTS
Pre-tax profit for year to March 31 was £181,700 (£114,700). Earnings per share were 2.52p (0.86p). Dividend is 2.1p gross (1.9p gross).

ST GEORGE'S LAUNDRY
Turnover for year to Febru 28 was £1.2m against £1.0m. P tax profit was £45,800 (£15,00 Earnings per share were 1.1 (0.37p). Final dividend is 0.4 gross (0.20p gross) making to for year of 0.83p gross (0.6 gross).

UDS GROUP
Mr Bernard Lyons told the a nual meeting: The encouragi rate of sales increase to which referred in the annual report st continues, with turnover for t first 22 weeks of the current ye showing an increase in excess 20 per cent. All divisions ha produced significantly high profits and the chairman state with confidence that profits fc the current half-year will be we ahead of last year and that the ou look for the full year is distinctl favourable.

BOND ISSUES
The London Borough of Towe Hamlets has raised £1m and th Royal Borough of Windsor an Maidenhead has raised £500,00 through the issue of 10 per cen bonds due July 18, 1979 at par In both cases the bonds have beer issued by Butler Till Limited.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

German group take over Boeing's MBB stake

erlin. — A West German ding company and Siemens e taken over the Boeing apany's share of the West man aircraft manufacturer, sserschmidt-Boelkow-Blohm.

oeing held an 18.9 per cent ect share of MBB with unercised options that could e boosted its stake in the mpany by another 3 per cent. f this 11.9 per cent, Siemens take over a 4.0 per cent tion (1 per cent of its direct re and the options) while es Industrie-Beteiligungsgeschaft, a holding company, take over a 7.9 per cent ect share.

ides previously held 25.6 per of MBB. The holding comy is held 32.6 per cent by ssen, 32.6 per cent by nens and 54.8 per cent by spatiale of Paris. The price he takeover was not immeely disclosed.

iemens management board irman Herr Bernhard Plettold a press conference that nens was not interested in ading role in MBB. He also ssed that Fides would not any more than 35 per cent MBB.—AP-Dow Jones.

International

Tropicana

Bradenton, Fla.—Tropicana Products' shareholders have approved its proposed merger into a Beatrice Foods' unit. Tropicana said about 87.5 per cent of its outstanding shares were deposited for conversion into cash or stock in the proposed merger.—Reuter.

Fabrique Nationale

Liege.—Fabrique Nationale Herstal SA (FN) said provisional estimates for the 12-month period ending June 30 give a net profit of between 60m and 80m francs against 197m francs for 1976-77. If these results are confirmed, FN could decide in October to pay a preliminary net dividend of 100 francs per share, compared with 170 francs for 1976-77.

The company said the strike action in February and March prevented initial objectives being attained. Last month FN decided to change its year to one ending on December 31, and as a result the present period will be 18 months long, running to end-December.—Reuter.

Japanese profits

Tokyo.—Japanese company profits are picking up, the *Asian Wall Street Journal* reports.

Private research institutes here forecast profits will increase slightly in the current half-year through to the end of September and achieve double-digit gains in the next half-year. Researchers see the gains coming despite the rapid rise in the value of the yen.

Impala Platinum

Impala Platinum has followed the other major platinum producer, Rustenburg, and raised its producer price to $240 an ounce. The move is seen in the markets as reflecting the strong demand for the metal.

The main way into Impala for investors is through Bishopsgate Platinum, which is one of the six shareholders controlling Impala and has 21.6 per cent. Bishopsgate shares rose 1p on the news to 86p.

Rustenburg sells 20 per cent of its output to Ford Motor, and sources in Johannesburg say that these supply contracts have been re-negotiated probably to take higher platinum prices into account.

Eaton Corporation

Cleveland.—Eaton Corporation has agreed with Raba Hungarian Railway Carriage and Machine Works for the supply by Raba of $300m worth of truck components over the next 10 years. Under the agreement, Eaton will purchase certain Raba-manufactured axle components and axles for sale in worldwide markets. Raba has indicated it will also purchase Eaton truck transmissions and other truck components from Eaton.—Reuter.

UOF issue

Singapore.—United Overseas Finance's public offer of 5m shares of $1 (Singapore) each at $1.50 per share was more than 27 times over-subscribed, underwriters Jardine Fleming (Singapore) said.—Reuter.

What Streeters has to lose

Although unwilling to detail the extent of its very recent problems in Saudi Arabia, Streeters of Godalming made it clear at yesterday's annual meeting that it was unhappy with the proposed reduction of the value of its contract in Riyadh.

It became clear that Streeters had suffered "a marked reduction in the prospects" of its 40 per cent owned associate, Streeters Saudi Arabia, as recently as last Thursday. It is understood that the Saudi Minister for Municipal and Rural Affairs had requested US-based Zachery, the main contractor of the Riyadh civil engineering project, to scale down its value of its work. This reduction has naturally impacted on sub-contractors such as Streeters whose own portion of the contract may fall from £10m to about £4m.

It is difficult, at this stage, to determine how much Streeters stands to lose if the position deteriorates. Its direct investment in SSAL stands at about £570,000 and it has leased plant worth about £983,000. The British company has guaranteed a loan of £650,000 to its associate but, on the other hand, Streeters owes SSAL some £536,000.

Barclays expands in France

Barclays Bank SA, the wholly-owned French subsidiary of Barclays Bank International Limited, is to purchase a 51% interest in Société Bancaire de Paris.

The transaction will be followed by a capital increase provided by Barclays Bank SA (51%) and the Paluel-Marmont Group (49%). Société Bancaire de Paris specialises in merchant banking, financial services and fund management. Subject to the necessary approvals, Barclays Bank SA is to acquire a participation of 26% in the capital of Société de Banque et D'Investissements.

Paint upswing helps Macpherson to rise by 27 pc in first half

A strong recovery in the sales of do-it-yourself paints has helped Donald Macpherson, the "Cover Plus" group supplying Woolworths stores, push up pre-tax by 27.1 per cent to £1.7m for the six months to April 30.

Shareholders are to receive an interim dividend of 1.86p gross, the maximum increase in one go, in the hope that if dividend restrictions are lifted a further payment can be made.

Commenting on the results, Mr Rex Chester, chairman, said that the group's market share *reached a new peak in the* opening months of the new DIY painting season and the rate of orders is continuing at a high level.

Looking to the second half, he expects little change in the current trading pattern and for the year as a whole, shareholders can anticipate a further "significant increase" in profits and earnings a share, he added.

Market expectations for the full year are for pre-tax profits of at least £3.75m giving earnings per share of 12.4p. With the shares up 4½p to 69p yesterday they are selling at 5½ times prospective earnings.

Turnover of the group as a whole increased by 12.5 per cent to £31.6m.



Mr Rex Chester, executive chairman of Donald Macpherson Group.

On the trade side the group's policy of concentrating on more specialized high margin products, assisted by the increased level of activity in building maintenance, paid of handsomely, in spite of fierce competition, with appreciable volume gains.

However, the level of output in the manufacturing industry remains flat at best and in some sectors, such as the furniture industry, is somewhat below that of last year. Meanwhile the industrial coatings division did well to maintain its share of *the market as did Unerman*, in spite of a slip in profits. Unfortunately, the possibility of any uplift in industrial output later in the year now seems remote.

The contributions of its overseas companies improved with sales rising from £4m to £4.6m thereby improving their contribution to group profits.

Exports, on the other hand, were quite severely affected by the economic setback in the Middle East and West Africa, which was reflected by a slip in sales from £1.4m to £1.2m.

L. Pawson

'Reversing' into military uniforms

V. L. Pawson, a manufacturer of men's clothing, is to make a £1.275m erse takeover of C. H. Bernard, a vate company manufacturing and reing military and civilian uniforms.

ernard has net assets of £1.89m, inst Pawson's £601,360 (at the cember balance sheet date) and made tax profits of £58,506 in the year to end of January, compared with a 00 loss sustained by Pawson in the *r to December* 19.

awson's shares were suspended on Stock Exchange yesterday, at the mpany's request, at 42p, which capitaed the company at £1.65m. The shares unlikely to be requoted before ober, when full details of the enlarged up will be available.

awson is paying £1.275m in cash for rnard. It will pay for the acquisition by king a rights issue, the terms of which e not been finalized. However, it is ely to be in the region of a one-for-one. st year the company made a one-for-one hts at 17½p.

Bernard's freehold and leasehold properties have a net book value of £352,291. However, Pawson is arranging for the properties to be revalued, which is expected to result in a "significant surplus" over book values.

Last year, the two companies went in different directions—Pawson cut its losses from the previous year's £139,286, but Bernard's profits had slumped from £235,364.

The acquisition of Bernard will radically alter Pawson, which, until last year, was simply a manufacturer of women's clothes with the labels "Jeannie", "Carl Olsen" and "Victor Roberts".

Towards the end of last year, Mr Stanley Woortliff, a one-time associate of Mr Christopher Selmes, bought into Pawson, becoming chairman and managing director. He had just left William Reed & Sons where he had been managing director. Mr Ferguson Lacey is chairman of Reed.

Since then, the group has made several small acquisitions which brought in a furrier and some menswear retail outlets, mainly in Yorkshire.

Bernard has some 36 retail outlets, two of which are in Malta and one in Gibraltar and also has a small international mail order business, selling mainly to service personnel. Some 90 per cent of Bernard's military uniforms are supplied under Ministry of Defence contracts, but the enlarged group is likely to concentrate increasingly on the *civilian side, such as security guards and* chauffeurs.

The acquisition will give Pawson added retail outlets which may be adapted to take the group's women's clothing, while the mail order side may now be ripe for expansion.

The enlarged base of the group will also enable Pawson to continue the take-over trail, to which Mr Woortliff is no stranger, although Bernard is likely to take some digesting.

Desmond Quigley

Tranwood leans heavily on Maurice

Tranwood Group's heavy reliance on financial assistance from Maurice Industries has been pinpointed by Mr Leonard James, chairman of Tranwood, in the annual statement.

Although Tranwood continues to be profitable, it is essential, Mr James warned, to conserve resources and reduce its net deficit of £196,000 and, in particular to reduce its indebtedness.

Accordnigly, while the group, by virtue of the agreements approved by shareholders and the loan stockholders of Benson's Hosiery as at January 6, has now survived the threat of liquidation, the chairman is unable to predict when it may be possible for the group to return to the dividend list.

Placing of 29.5 pc of capital of Laurence Gould

By Richard Allen

Having built up what is claimed to be the largest agricultural consultancy group in Europe, former ICI economist, Mr Laurence Gould, has now brought his group to the fringe of the stock market.

In a tiny and unusual placing operation Foster & Braithwaite, the stock-brokers, are to offer 26,534 shares in Laurence Gould & Co—amounting to 29.5 per cent of the capital—to private clients at £5 each giving the group a capitalisation of £450,000.

The placing will raise £75,000 before expenses for group funds and a further £57,670 will accrue to four of the existing shareholders, who are selling part of their holdings.

In order for Laurence Gould to retain its private status new holders will have to be limited to 40 and the stockbrokers have only circularized selected clients, mainly those involved in farming.

Formed in 1963 by Mr Gould and two former colleagues in the Central Agricultural Control Department of ICI, the company now manages 225 farms in the United Kingdom and advises on agricultural developments throughout the world.

Fee income this year is expected to rise to £1.25m and profits are forecast to double to almost £125,000 pre-tax.

Mr Gould said yesterday that the placing had been devised partly to increase the company's "public presence"

Australian uranium mine go-ahead

Michael Prest

Production from the Ranger 1 anium mine in Australia's rthern Territory could begin the end of 1981 if negotiaons with customers are satisctorily completed, Mr Bernd Fisk, general manager, anium development, for Pekoallsend, a partner in the anger Uranium Joint Venture, ld the annual Uranium Institte symposium yesterday.

Now that Australian Governent policy towards uranium velopment has been clarified, Fisk said, other mines could low suit. The Jubiluka proct, also in Northern Territory, uld begin operations a year er, and the Nabarlek mine a months earlier.

Australia's uranium reserves estimated at 400,000 tonnes U308, and they could be re. By 1985 the country uld be producing 12,000 nes a year, rising to 24,000 1990, making Australia the rld's biggest producer after United States.

But another speaker, Mr rry Lloyd, general manager Ranger Export Development, e mine's export arm, said that thout changes in government licy and the prohibition on anium exports by the Whitn government, Australian proction could have been 10,000 nes of U308 by the turn of e decade.

Government policy was outlined in a speech by Mr J. D. Anthony, deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Resources, on June 1 this year. The Government has to approve a uranium project in all its details, especially environmental, and contracts with foreign customers have to be vetted to ensure they do not harm Australia's commercial or strategic interests, add to nuclear proliferation, and that they are a necessary increase in the world's energy supply.

Mining

Under these conditions only two mines are allowed at the moment to sign contracts for uranium supply. They are Mary Kathleen, Australia's only producing mine, and Ranger. Mary Kathleen, in Queensland, has reserves of between 6,000 and 7,000 tonnes of U308 and last year produced 584 tonnes.

Ranger, by contrast, has estimated reserves of more than 100,000 tonnes, and is expected eventually to produce about 6,000 tonnes a year. The deposit is in the Alligator Rivers Region of the Northern Territory, and covers approximately 1,200 square kilometres. Since exploration of the Ranger 1 orebody was stopped in 1972, its *full extent is unknown, but it* is almost certainly bigger than current estimates. Another body, Ranger 68, was discovered recently and that could be even larger.

The Atomic Energy Commission will put up 72.5 per cent of the capital for Ranger, while the rest will come from the two partners, Peko-Wallsend and Electrolytic ico Company of Australasia. While this arrangement is not necessarily a pattern for the future, it does show the extent to which the government will henceforth be involved in uranium.

Substantial though Ranger may be, Australia's total uranium reserves now look like being the biggest in the world—and all of it will be for export, since the country does not have a reactor. The Narbalek mine, operated by Queensland Mines, could be producing 1,000 tonnes a year in 1981, Pancontinental's giant Jubiluka deposit may be producing 3,000 tonnes 12 months later, followed by Western Mining's Beverley, South Australia, deposit with 1,250 tonnes in 1984 and Noranda's Koongarra holding with 2,000 tonnes a year after that.

Michael Prest

Options

For a day when the main are market subsided after a ght start the traded options rket took on a new lease life. The total of contracts ranged was a remarkable 925, e of the highest on record. e limelight was taken by siness in Grand Metropolitan tels where 162 deals were ne. This exceeded the 140 ntracts arranged in ICI and 122 in BP. Nearly 46 per nt of options business done, wever, was in these three cks. Behind them came Land curities with 90 deals and ell with 98. The GEC total s 84 and in Consolidated Gold elds only 64 traded options ntracts were done. The Courtlds total was 59. No busiss at all was done in Comercial Union.

lass Glover beats ad trading period

Interim pre-tax profits from ass Glover, the food distribu- and importer of fresh fruit d vegetables, are up from 000 to £132,000. Turnover for six months to March 31, e from £8.7m to £8.8m. rnings a share are 1.08p, ainst 1.04p and the directors ve declared an interim divi- nd of 0.39p gross, against 6p. The board states that s small improvement has en achieved despite adverse ding conditions and exchange tes.

mp of 46 pc at lacDonald Martin

MacDonald Martin, distillers the fine malt whiskies, inased trading profits by 46 r cent to £1.12m in the year the end of March.

A *final gross dividend of* 26p is recommended, on the A" shares making a total of 81p gross. On the "B" ares, 4.69p gross is recomended, making a total of 97p gross.

Bank statements for June

Statements of the London Clearing Banks and their banking subsidiaries in England and Wales, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man made up to June 21 are summarized in the table below:

	£ millions						
	Total	Change on Month	Barclays	Lloyds	Midland	National Westminster	Williams & Glyn's
Total deposits	53.759	+ 766	14,715	9.773	11.249	16.247	1.776
Cash and balances with Bank of Eng	1.145	+ 32	357	210	243	303	29
Market loans: UK banks and discount market	11.168	+ 352	2.825	2.367	1.811	3.701	333
Other	9.852	+ 127	2.587	2.377	1.312	2.957	316
Bills	1.389	+ 35	253	102	617	668	18
Special deposits	450	— 422	132	50	99	127	12
British Government stocks	2.285	+ 10	503	437	392	818	130
Advances	28.726	+ 778	8.348	4.507	6.673	8.308	987
Parent Banks Reserve Ratio (%)	13.6	+ 0.2	13.3	14.6	13.5	13.5	12.5

Business appointments

Three new directors for C T Bowring (Insurance)

Mr R. H. Brandon, Mr D. T. Little and Mr A. R. Dunkerley have become directors of C. T. Bowring (Insurance).

Mr Stanley Thomson, finance director of Ford Motor Company (UK), joins the Industrial Development Advisory Board.

Mr Trevor Owen is to be managing director of Remploy from September 7, replacing Mr O. L. S. Philpot, who is retiring.

Mr J. Y. Malley, recently Registrar-General and Assistant Secretary, Department of Finance, Northern Ireland, has joined the board of Unico Finance.

Mr John R. Webb has become aromatics vice-president of Essochem Europe.

Mr R. J. Warren is now a director of The Argus Press Holdings and The Argus Press Limited.

Mr Moger Woolley, managing director of DRG Flexible Packaging, is giving up the post to assume wider executive responsibilities within the Dickinson Robinson Group and is to be replaced by Mr David Richards.

Mr W. Miller, general manager of Crompton Lighting, will become managing director from September 1. Mr G. H. Peakman and Mr F. J. Randell have been made directors and Mr Randell also becomes a director of Crompton Autoslave.

Mr Maurice Codd has been re-elected chairman and Mr John Morrison deputy chairman of the Stock Exchange's Provincial Unit Committee. The chairmen of committees have been elected as follows: Commissions and dealings, Mr P. R. Stevens; firm's accounts, Sir D. Malcolm; information and communications, Mr P. B. Mitford-Slade; membership, Mr G. Ross Russell; options, Mr P. R. Stevens; planning, Mr P. G. B. Wills; property and finance, Mr R. H. Lawson; quotations, Mr N. Assheton and Mr C. R. J. Eglington; settlement services, Mr C. Gascoigne; disciplinary, Mr D. H. LeRoy-Lewis; appeals, Mr G. M. Nissen.

Mr Alan Sheartr has been made managing director of Charcon Products.

Mr J. B. Walker has joined the board of F & C Eurotrust.

Mr Graeme A. Elliot has been elected president and chief executive officer of Brinco, to succeed Mr Donald De Laporte.

Mr Guy Caunègre has succeeded Mr Ronald Spears as managing director of Renault Trucks & Buses UK.

Mr W. Tresadern has been made director of Stwart Wrightson UK Group.

Mr S. L. D. Few has been made a director of Thompson Graham. Mr D. J. C. Makins becomes a director of Thompson Graham (Reinsurance Brokers).

Madame Nelly Baudrihaye becomes director-general of the recently-formed European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industry Associations from September 1.

"Research safeguards growth and employment"



Professor Dr. Rolf Sammet
chairman of the board of management of Hoechst
"Our research and development will continue to generate products to meet the needs of a growing world population with increasing living standards.
I am convinced that we thereby guarantee the company's future."

Our future lies in our research

Our confidence in Hoechst's continuing success is based on the fact that progress is being increasingly shaped by the chemical industry. More than virtually any other branch of industry, the chemical industry can offer solutions to the crucial problems of our time. We are conscious that the predominant contribution must come from new developments rather than simply from manufacturing larger quantities of existing products. This is a challenge to our researchers: to make optimum use of our scientific and technical potential and find new ways. Here lies the real basis for the growth of Hoechst, signifying the importance of research and development for our business activities.

High investment in research

In 1977 the company spent over one billion Deutschmarks on research and development, approximately DM 80 million more than in the previous year. This is a substantial investment for the future, so that the company can meet the challenge of international competition – tomorrow as well as today. The need for this expenditure is underlined by the fact that nearly one-third of our present sales has been achieved by products that did not even exist ten years ago. New products will continue of course to be a criterion of successful research. Equally important, however, will be the further improvement of existing products and the development of raw material and energy-saving production processes. In this way we open up new business opportunities and at the same time safeguard employment and the growth of Hoechst.

Group Balance Sheet at 31st December 1977 (abridged version)*

LIABILITIES	DM million	%	ASSETS	DM million	%
Stockholders' equity	5,325	26	Tangible and intangible fixed assets	7,888	38
Long-term liabilities	8,219	40	Balance resulting from consolidation	735	4
Long-term capital employed	13,544	66	Investments	660	3
Accounts payable, trade	1,926	9	Fixed assets and investments	9,273	45
Short-term liabilities due to banks	1,829	9	Inventories	4,875	23
Miscellaneous liabilities	3,193	15	Receivables and other assets	5,330	26
Unappropriated retained earnings of Hoechst AG	216	1	Liquid assets	1,230	6
Short-term liabilities	7,164	34	Current assets	11,435	55
Balance sheet total	20,708	100	Balance sheet total	20,708	100

* The financial statements have been certified by the auditors.

Hoechst Group

	1977	1976
	DM million	
Group sales	23,298	23,485
of which abroad	15,579	15,723
Expenditure on fixed assets	1,485	1,579
of which abroad	586	675
Depreciation of fixed assets and write-offs of investments	1,403	1,442
Profit before taxes	1,086	1,376
Profit after taxes (net income for the year)	304	580
Research expenses	1,044	986
Personnel expenses	6,539	6,281
	Number	
Employees	180,907	182,980
of which abroad	79,406	79,230

1st Quarter 1978

	1st Quarter 1978	1st Quarter 1977	Quarterly average 1977	Change against quarterly average %
	DM million			
Hoechst Group				
Sales	5,880	5,840	5,824	+1.0
Germany	1,965	2,005	1,930	+1.8
Abroad	3,915	3,835	3,894	+0.5
Hoechst AG (Parent company)				
Sales	2,273	2,424	2,364	−3.8
Germany	1,131	1,185	1,161	−2.5
Abroad	1,142	1,239	1,203	−5.1
Profit before taxes	157	210	173	−9.2
	Number			Change in %
Employees	62,503	64,359		−2.9

Coming safely through a difficult year

1977 was a difficult year for Hoechst. After a promising start it soon became apparent that our expectations would not be fulfilled in many fields. Rising labour costs, the continued revaluation of the Deutschmark, competition distortion through enterprises not operating in accordance with normal market principles and declining prices have all had a considerable effect upon our activities. However, jointly with our 180,000 employees in all parts of the world, we have faced up to these problems and overcome this difficult year.

Dividend

The Annual General Meeting on 6th June 1978 approved a dividend to our shareholders of DM 6 per share at the nominal value of DM 50.

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Additional information on the activities of Hoechst

If you would like to know more about Hoechst, its activities and its research in 1977, we shall be pleased to send you the English version of the company's annual report.

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MARKET REPORTS

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

US STRAIGHTS ($)		
Australia 7½ 1984	93¾	94¼
Australia 8¼ 1992	95¼	95¾
Aust Mining 9¼ 1992	97	97½
CS 1½		
Avco 9¼ 1985	100¼	100¾
Avco 9¼ 1985	99½	99¾
Barclays 8¼ 1992	94¼	95
Bowater 9¼ 1992	96½	97
British Gas 9 1981	100	100½
Citicorp 6¾ 1980	95¾	96¼
Citicorp 7 1981	95½	95¾
CECA 8¾ 1997	93	93½
DSM 8¼ 1987	95¾	95¾
EIB 8¾ 1988	95½	96
EIB 8¾ 1993	93½	93¾
Eurofima 8¼ 1988	95¼	96
Fisons 8¾ 1992	93	93½
ICI 8¼ 1987	95¾	96¼
INCO 8¾ 1984	96¼	96¾
INCO 9 1992	96¼	96¾
ITEL 9¼ 1983	100¼	100¾
IU O'seas 8¾ 1987	97	97½
Light-Services 9 1982	94½	95
MacMillan Bloedel 9 1992	94¼	94¾
Midland Int 8¾ 1992	94	94½
NCB 8 1987	93½	93¾
Nat West 9 1986	100	100½
NZ Forest Prod 9 1986	100	100½
Norsk Hydro 7¼ 1992	93	93½
Occidental 8¼ 1983	96½	97
Occidental 8¾ 1987	96	96½
Off-shore Mining 8¾ 1983	93½	94
Rank Hovis 9 1992	96	96½
R. J. Reynolds 7½ 1982	96½	97
Shell 8¼ 1990	95½	96
SNCF 8¼ 1994	96¾	97¼
Scandinavian 8¾ 1988	96½	97
Sweden 7½ 1982	95½	95¾
Sweden 8¼ 1987	94	94½
Tauernautobahn 8¼ 1987	97¾	98¼
Walter Kidde 8¾ 1985	95½	96
FLOATING RATE NOTES		
Andelsbanken 8¼ 1984	98½	98¾
CCF 9 7/16 1985	99¾	100¼
IBJ 8¼ 1982	99¾	99¾
UCOB 7 15/16 1982	100	100½
OCB 9¼ 1983	100¼	100¾
Williams & Glyns 8 1/16 1984	99¾	100¼
CANADIAN DOLLARS		
Avco 9¾ 1982	98¼	99
BM-RT 8¾ 1982	97¾	98¼
Ford 8¾ 1984	96¾	97¼
British Columbia MFA 9 1997	96½	97¼
Rank 9¾ 1982	97¾	98¼
Walter Heller 9¾ 1983	97½	98¼
DEUTSCHE MARKS		
CFP 6¼ 1981	102¼	103
ICI 6¾ 1987	103¼	105
New Zealand 6¼ 1984	103¼	103¾
Phryn 6¼ 1989	101	101½
Ouboc Hydro 6¾ 1987	102	102¾
US $ CONVERTIBLES		
American Express 4¼ 1987	81½	83
Beatrice Foods 4¼ 1992	93½	96
Beatrice Foods 6¾ 1991	110½	112
Beecham 6¼ 1992	99	100
Borden 6¾ 1991	105½	107
Carnation 4 1988	78	79½
Chevron 5 1988	129½	131
Eastman Kodak 4¼ 1988	83	84½
Fairchild Camera 5¼ 1991	90½	92
Ford 5 1988	85½	87
Ford 6 1986	96½	98
General Electric 4¼ 1987	80	81½
Gillette 4¾ 1987	77½	79½
Gould 5 1987	111½	116
Gulf & Western 5 1988	85½	87
Honeywell 6 1986	86	87½
ICI 6¾ 1987	85	86
INA 6 1997	95½	97
Inchcape 6¾ 1992	115	116
ITT 4½ 1987	77½	79
J. Ray McDermott 4¾ 1987	181	183
Mitsui Real Estate 6 1992	150	152
J. P. Morgan 4¾ 1987	103	105
Nabisco 5¾ 1988	104	105½
J. C. Penney 4¾ 1987	77½	79½
Revlon 4¾ 1987	120	121½
Reynolds Metals 5 1988	82½	84
Sperry Rand 4¾ 1988	91	92½
Squibb 4¾ 1987	81½	83
Sumitomo Elec 6 1992	133	137
Texaco 4¾ 1988	77	78½
Thorn 5 1988	77½	79
Union Bank of Switzerland 4¾ 1987	144	146
Warner Lambert 4¼ 1987	80	81½
Xerox Corp 5 1988	77	78½

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited

Wall Street

New York, July 11.—The New York stock market posted a broad gain today amid some encouragement in the twin fight against inflation and rising interest rates.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 4.50 points to close at 821.29. Some 940 issues closed higher while only 520 finished on the downside.

Volume rose to 27,480,000 shares from 22,470,000 shares on Monday.

In Washington, Mr Barry Bosworth, Director of the United States Council on Wage and Price Stability, said he looked for an inflation rate this year of about 7 per cent.

Silver closes down

New York, July 11.—COMEX SILVER futures steadied toward the close on late local short-covering but still finished 1.60 to 1.40 cents down on the day, dealers said. July, 526.50c; Aug, 528.70c; Sept, 532.70c; Dec, 544.60c; Jan, 548.60c; March, 556.90c; May, 565.70c; July, 574.60c; Sept, 583.60c; Dec, 597.20c; Jan, 602.80c; March, 611.30c; May, 620.70c. Handy and Harman of Canada, Can$5.896 (previous Can$5.941).

GOLD, NY COMEX. July, $185.70; Aug, $186.60; Sept, $188.40; Oct, $189.50; Dec, $192.50; Feb, $195.60; April, $198.70; June, $201.90; Aug, $205.10; Oct, $208.30; Dec, $211.50; Feb, $214.70; April, $217.90. CHICAGO IMM. Sept, $188.40-188.00; Dec, $192.60; March, $197.40 bid; June, $201.90-202.00; Sept, $216.90; Dec, $211.70 bid; March, $216.20.

COPPER.—Futures closed steady between 40 and 50 points up. July, 61.00c; Aug, 61.40c; Sept, 62.00c; Dec, 63.70c; Jan, 64.30c; March, 65.40c; May, 66.40c; July, 67.40c; Sept, 68.40c; Dec, 69.80c; Jan, 70.30c; March, 71.30c; May, 72.30c.

SUGAR.—Futures in No 11 contract were: Sept, 6.58-60c; Oct, 6.69-71c; Jan, 7.10-25c; March, 7.32-45c; May, 7.60-61c; July, 7.83c; Sept, 7.96-80c; Oct, 8.05-10c.

COTTON futures were: Oct, 59.70-73c; Dec, 61.15-18c; March, 62.65c; May, 63.90c; July, 64.89-92c; Oct, 64.50-65c; Dec, 63.95-5.00c.

COFFEE futures in "C" contract were: July, 149.40-48c; Sept, 133.75-4.00c; Dec, 124.50c; March, 117.50-8.00c; May, 114.25-5.00c; July, 113.0-3.0c; Sept, 110.00-2.0c; Dec, 108.00-11.0c.

COCOA futures were: July, 144.20c; Sept, 139.45c; Dec, 134.15c; March, 133.75c; May, 130.85c; July, 128.85c; Sept, 126.85c; Dec, 125.05c.

CHICAGO SOYABEANS. SOYABEANS. July, 687½-87c; Aug, 676-77c; Sept, 641c; Nov, 618-18½c; Jan, 622½c; March, 629½c; May, 632-33c; July, 633c. SOYABEAN OIL. July, 25.85-70c; Aug, 24.90-25.00c; Sept, 25.05-24.00c; Oct, 23.20-10c; Dec, 22.45-50c; Jan, 22.30c; March, 22.15c; May, 22.10-22.00c; July, 21.75-85c. SOYABEAN MEAL. July, $175.30-5.10; Aug, $174.50-4.00; Sept, $173.00; Oct, $170.00; Dec, $168.00-7.50; Jan, $168.00-7.50; March, $169.30-9.50; May, $170.00-0.50; July, $170.70-1.00.

	July 11	July 10
Allied Chem	35½	34¾
Allied Stores	23¾	23¾
Allied Supermkt	3⅜	3½
Allis Chalmers	33½	33¾
Alcoa	40⅞	41¼
Amax Inc	33¼	33¼
Amerada Hess	27⅝	27¾
Am Airlines	13¾	13
Am Brands	50	50¼
Am Broadcast	49	49¼
Am Can	42	42
Am Cyanamid	28	28⅛
Am Elec Power	23⅜	23⅜
Am Home	29⅛	29½
Am Motors	5⅝	5⅜
Am Nat Res	41½	40¼
Am Standard	42⅝	42
Am Telephone	59¾	59½
AMF Inc	18	17⅞
Armco Steel	28¾	28½
Asarco	14¾	14¾
Ashland Oil	33½	33⅛
Atlantic Richfield	49⅞	48¼
Avco	25⅛	24¾
Avon Products	54⅝	55¼
Babcock & Wcox	59⅜	58¾
Bankers Tst NY	35⅝	35
Bank of America	22⅝	22⅜
Bank of NY	34¼	34
Beatrice Foods	24¼	24¼
Bell & Howell	19¼	18⅞
Bendix	38⅜	38⅜
Bethlehem Steel	22½	22⅝
Boeing	55	54⅞
Boise Cascade	28⅝	28⅝
Borden	28⅝	29
Borg Warner	28½	28⅜
Bristol Myers	37½	37
BP	16⅝	16
Burlington Ind	18⅝	18⅜
Burlington Nthn	39⅝	39⅝
Burroughs	73⅜	73⅛
Campbell Soup	34⅝	33½
Canadian Pacific	17	16¾
Caterpillar	56⅞	57¼
Celanese	40⅝	41
Central Soya	15⅛	15⅛
Charter NY	30⅞	30½
Chase Manhat	30⅝	30⅜
Chem Bank NY	38⅞	38⅜
Chesapeake Ohio	30⅞	29⅜
Chrysler	10⅝	10⅜
Citicorp	23	23
Cities Service	48⅝	49⅛
Clark Equip	32⅝	32⅛
Coca Cola	42	42
Colgate	20⅝	20⅛
CBS	54½	54
Columbia Gas	27⅝	28⅜
Combustion Eng	40	39⅝
Comwlth Edison	27	26⅞
Cons Edison	23⅝	23⅝
Cons Foods	24⅝	24⅞
Cons Power	23⅜	23⅜
Continental Grp	29⅝	28⅝
Continental Oil	29½	28
Control Data	33⅜	32⅝
Corning Glass	55	54⅜
CPC Intnl	48⅝	47⅝
Crane	27⅞	27⅞
Crocker Int	25⅝	25⅝
Crown Zeller	31⅜	30⅞
Dart Ind	44½	43⅜
Deere	32⅝	32
Del Monte	26⅝	26⅜
Delta Air	47⅞	47⅝
Detroit Edison	15⅝	15⅛
Disney	40⅝	41⅝
Dow Chemical	24½	24⅝
Dresser Ind	43	43⅝
Duke Power	20	19⅞
Du Pont	113	114
Eastern Air	12⅝	12⅝
Eastman Kodak	54⅝	53⅝
Eaton Corp	37⅝	36⅝
El Paso Nat Gas	16⅝	16
Equitable Life	19⅝	19⅝
Esmark	30⅝	30⅝
Evans P. D.	16½	16⅞
Exxon Corp	45⅝	44⅞
Fed Dept Stores	35⅝	36
Firestone	13⅝	13⅝
Fst Chicago	20⅝	20⅝
Fst Nat Boston	29½	29⅝
Fst Penn Corp	15⅝	15½
Ford	46⅝	46⅝
GAF Corp	12½	13⅝
Gamble Skogmo	26	26
Gen Dynamics	73½	73
Gen Electric	52	51¾
Gen Foods	32	32⅝
Gen Mills	30⅝	30⅝
Gen Motors	60⅝	60⅝
Gen Pub Util NY	18½	18⅝
Gen Tel Elec	28⅝	29⅝
Gen Tire	25⅝	25⅝
Genesco	6	5⅞
Georgia Pacific	26	26⅝
Getty Oil	36⅝	35⅝
Gillette	28⅝	28⅝
Goodrich	22⅝	22⅝
Goodyear	16⅝	16⅝
Gould Inc	29⅝	29⅝
Grace	28⅞	28⅝
Gt Atlic & Pacific	6½	6½
Greyhound	13⅝	13⅝
Grumman Corp	19⅝	20
Gulf Oil	23⅝	23⅝
Gulf & West	14	14
Heinz H. J.	41¾	40⅞
Hercules	14⅝	14⅝
Honeywell	57	57⅝
IC Inds	28⅝	28⅝
Ingersoll	55½	55⅝
Inland Steel	34⅞	35⅝
IBM	258⅝	260
Int Harvester	35½	35⅝
INCO	15⅝	15⅝
Int Paper	40	39⅝
Int Tel Tel	30⅝	30⅝
Jewel Co	28⅝	28⅝
Jim Walter	29⅝	29⅝
Johns-Manville	30⅝	30
Johnson & Johnson	82⅝	83⅝
Kaiser Alumin	31	31⅝
Kennecott	21⅝	21⅝
Kerr McGee	42⅝	43⅝
Kimberly Clark	44⅝	44⅝
Kraftco Corp	46⅝	46⅝
K Mart	24⅝	24⅝
Kroger	33⅝	33
Liggett Group	32⅝	31⅝
L.T.V. Corp	6⅝	6⅝
Litton	21⅝	21⅝
Lockheed	22⅝	22⅝
Lucky Stores	15⅝	15½
Manuf Hanover	33⅝	33
Mapco	32	32⅝
Marathon Oil	42⅝	42
Marine Midland	14⅝	14½
Martin Marietta	28⅝	28⅝
McDonnell	34	33⅝
Mead	21⅝	21⅝
Memorex	40	39⅝
Merck	57⅝	56⅝
Minnesota Mng	56⅝	56⅝
Mobil Oil	61⅝	61⅝
Monsanto	50⅝	50⅝
Morgan J. P.	44½	44½
Motorola	46⅝	46
NCR Corp	52⅝	52⅝
NL Industries	18⅝	18⅝
Nabisco	25	25⅝
Nat Distillers	19	21½
Nat Steel	29⅞	30
Norfolk West	24½	24⅝
NW Bancorp	24	24⅝
Norton Simon	18½	18⅝
Occidental Pet	21⅝	21⅝
Ogden	27⅞	27⅞
Olin Corp	14⅝	14
Owens-Illinois	21	20⅝
Pacific Gas Elec	23⅝	23⅝
Pan Am	6⅝	6⅝
Penney J. C.	35⅞	36
Pennzoil	38	38
PepsiCo	28⅝	28½
Pet Inc	32	32
Pfizer	33⅝	33
Phelps Dodge	20½	19⅝
Philip Morris	68⅝	67⅝
Phillips Petrol	31⅝	31⅝
Polaroid	39⅝	39⅞
PPG Ind	26⅝	25⅝
Proctor Gamble	86⅝	86⅝
Pub Ser El & Gas	22⅝	22⅝
Pullman	31⅝	31½
Rapid American	9⅝	9⅝
Raytheon	49	48⅝
RCA Corp	29½	29⅝
Republic Steel	23⅝	23⅝
Reynolds Ind	55⅞	55⅝
Reynolds Metal	26⅝	25⅝
Rockwell Int	32⅝	32⅝
Royal Dutch	60⅝	60⅝
Safeways	39⅝	39
St Regis Paper	26⅞	26⅝
Santa Fe Ind	34⅝	34⅝
SCM	19⅝	19
Schlumberger	93⅝	93⅝
Scott Paper	16⅝	16⅝
Seaboard Coast	30	29⅝
Seagram	22⅞	22⅝
Sears Roebuck	22⅝	22⅝
Shell Oil	32⅝	31⅝
Shell Trans	42½	42½
Signal Co	47⅝	46⅞
Singer	20⅝	20
Sony	9⅝	9⅝
Sth Cal Edison	25⅝	25⅝
Southern Pacific	31⅝	31⅝
Southern Rly	50⅝	49⅝
Sperry Rand	41⅝	41⅝
Std Brands	25⅝	25⅝
Std Oil Califnia	36⅝	35⅝
Std Oil Indiana	48	47⅝
Std Oil Ohio	31⅝	30
Sterling Drug	15⅝	15½
Stevens J. P.	14⅝	14½
Stude Worth	61⅝	61⅝
Sunbeam Corp	20⅝	20⅝
Sun Comp	42⅝	41
Teledyne	98⅝	101⅝
Tenneco	31⅝	30⅝
Texaco	24⅝	23⅝
Texas East Corp	39⅝	39⅝
Texas Inst	80⅝	80⅝
Texas Utilities	20⅝	20⅝
Textron	29⅝	29⅝
TWA	20⅝	20
Travelers Corp	34⅝	35
TRW Inc	36⅝	35⅝
UAL Inc	31⅝	30⅝
Unilever Ltd	39	38
Unilever NV	55⅝	55⅝
Union Bancorp	24⅝	24⅝
Union Carbide	37	36⅝
Union Oil Calif	48	47⅝
Un Pacific Corp	45⅝	44⅝
Uniroyal	7⅝	7⅝
United Brands	9⅝	9
US Industries	9⅝	8⅝
US Steel	29⅝	26⅝
Utd Technol	43	42⅝
Wachovia	18⅝	18⅝
Warner Comml	44	43
Warner Lambert	26⅝	25⅝
Wells Fargo	26⅝	26⅝
West'n Bancorp	36⅝	36⅝
Westinghse Elec	22⅝	22⅝
Weyerhauser	28⅝	28
Whirlpool	22⅝	22⅝
White Motor	9⅝	9⅝
Woolworth	18⅝	19⅝
Xerox Corp	54	53⅝
Zenith	14⅝	14⅝
Canadian Prices		
Abitibi	13	13
Alcan Alumin	30⅝	30⅝
Algoma Steel	20⅝	20
Bell Telephone	57⅝	56⅝
Cominco	28⅝	28⅝
Cons Bathurst	28	27⅝
Falconbridge	22	21⅝
Gulf Oil	27⅝	27⅝
Hawker Sid Can	7.88	7.88
Hudson Bay Min	17⅝	17⅝
Hudson Bay Oil	44½	44½
Imasco	33	33
Imperial Oil	18⅝	18⅝
Int Pipe	15⅝	15⅝
Mass.-Fergsn	11⅝	11⅝
Royal Trust	17⅝	17⅝
Seagram	28⅝	28⅝
Steel Co	25	24⅝
Talcorp	9⅝	9⅝
Thomson N 'A'	14	14
Walker Hiram	33⅝	33⅝
WCT	11⅝	11⅝

• Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, 1.8845 (1.8855); three months, 1.8747 (1.8780); Canadian dollar 89.06 (89.14).

The Dow Jones spot commodity index was 355.81. The futures index was 342.66.

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 821.29 (816.79); transportation 222.54 (220.30); utilities 105.24 (105.01); 65 stocks, 284.18 (282.44). New York Stock Exchange index, 55.50 (55.33); industrials 58.52 (58.11); transportation, 43.86 (43.51); utilities, 39.04 (38.89); financial, 57.00 (56.66).

CHICAGO GRAINS.—WHEAT.—July, 320¼-¼c; Sept, 325¼-25c; Dec, 331¼-32c; March, 335¼c; May, 330c; July, 321c. CORN.—July, 239¼c; Sept, 244¼c; Dec, 249¼-¼c; March, 257¼-¼c; May, 261¼c; July, 262¼c. OATS.—July, 127¼-¼c; Sept, 132¼c; Dec, 141¼-½c; March, 147¼c; May, 147¼c.

Recent Issues

	Closing Price
Barnet 12¾% 1987 (£98½)	£50¼-¼
Bramall F D 25p Ord (75)	95
Edinburgh Var 1983 (£100)	£99¾-¾
Foreshern Int 10p Ord (100)	106
Exchequer 10% 1983 (£95)	£14¾
Exchequer 12% 2013-17 (£96)	£14¾
Fairview 13 95 Deb (£100)	£24½
Greenwich 11¾% 1996 (£96)	£15¾-¼
Robinson Bros 11½ Pf (100)	106½
Sth Tyneside 12¼% 1986 (£97)	£99¾-¼
Thames Plywood 25p (ord 75)	35
Tyne and Wear 12% Rd (10 1986 £98¾)	£49¾-¼
W Kent Wtr 12½% Db 1996 (£100)	£24½

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renunc.	
ANZ Grp (£32 75)	Aug 10	25
Bronte Tool (25)	Aug 18	4 prem
Dartmouth Inv (15)		3½ prem
Elswick Hopper (14)	Aug 16	2½ prem
Hartwell (stand)	Aug 18	9¼
Headlam Sims (36)		11 prem
Henlys (108)	Aug 4	1½ prem
Lynch Int (130)	Aug 4	17 prem
Securicor Grd (95)	Aug 25	12 prem
Do NV (95)	Aug 25	12 prem
Security Services (95)	Aug 25	12 prem
Do NV (95)	Aug 25	12 prem
Sutcliffe Speak (30)		26 prem

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. ‡ Nil paid. a £10 paid. b £30 paid. c £15 paid. d £50 paid. e £25 paid. f Fully paid. g £30 paid. h £35 paid. i £45 paid. j £65 paid.

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	10%
Barclays Bank	10%
B.C.C.I. Bank	10%
Consolidated Crdts.	10%
C. Hoare & Co	*10%
Lloyds Bank	10%
London Mercantile	10%
Midland Bank	10%
Nat Westminster	10%
Rossminster Ltd	10%
TSB	10%
Williams and Glyn's	10%

* 7 day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under 6¼%, up to £25,000, 7¼%, over £25,000 7¾%.

Foreign Exchange

Further profit-taking and New York demand late in the day enabled the dollar yesterday to make up some of the ground lost in Monday's slide. The pound gave up half-a-cent in terms of the dollar, the rate finally settling at $1.8845. The effective exchange rate index closed 0.1 down at 61.9.

The dollar finished dearer to all Continental centres. German marks dipped from 2.0445 to 2.0490; Swiss francs reacted from 1.8030 to 1.8125 and French francs declined from 4.4310 to 4.4525. The yen cheapened from 201.40 to 202.80.

Gold lost $1.25 an ounce to close in London at $185.625.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) July 11	Market rates (close) July 11
New York	$1.8835-8895	$1.8840-8850
Montreal	$2.1115-1235	$2.1120-1130
Amsterdam	4.16-18¼fl	4.16½-17½fl
Brussels	60.75-61.00f	60.80-90f
Copenhagen	10.55-59k	10.55½-56½k
Frankfurt	3.85-89m	3.86-87m
Lisbon	85.50-86.20e	85.80-90e
Madrid	146.10-147.15p	146.15-25p
Milan	1595-1603lr	1598½-99½lr
Oslo	10.15-19k	10.15½-16½k
Paris	8.37-41f	8.38½-39½f
Stockholm	8.54-58½k	8.56-56½k
Tokyo	378-383y	381½-382½y
Vienna	27.75-93sch	27.80-85sch
Zurich	3.40-43½f	3.41¾-42¾f

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, 1971, was down 0.1 at 61.9 per cent.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.50-.40c prem	1.23-1.13c prem
Montreal	.60-.50c prem	1.55-1.45c prem
Amsterdam	2½-1½c prem	6¾-5¾c prem
Brussels	30-20c prem	80-70c prem
Copenhagen	2½-4¼ore disc	7½-9¼ore disc
Frankfurt	3-2pf prem	7¾-6¾pf prem
Lisbon	35-135c disc	105-405c disc
Madrid	par-60c disc	10-110c disc
Milan	1-2lr disc	3-6lr disc
Oslo	¼-2¼ore disc	2-4ore disc
Paris	1½-½c prem	3½-2½c prem
Stockholm	1ore prem-1ore disc	2½-½ore prem
Vienna	15-5gro prem	42-32gro prem
Zurich	3-2c prem	8¾-7¾c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar), $0.8914-17.

Euro-$ Deposits

Calls, 7¾-8; seven days, 7¾-8¼; one month, 7⅞-8⅛; three months, 8⅛-8⅜; six months, 8½-8¾.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $185.35 (an ounce); pm, $185.5. Krugerrand (per coin): non-resident, $190¼-192¼ (£101¼-102¼); resident, $190¼-192¼ (£101¼-102¼).

Sovereigns (new): non-resident, $53¼-55¼ (£28¼-29¼); resident, $55-57 (£29¼-30¼).

Discount market

Relieving a persisting shortage of funds on Lombard Street yesterday the scale of assistance from the authorities mounted to an exceptionally large level, the greater part by way of extremely large overnight loans to 9 or 10 houses at MLR (10%). The Bank of England bought a large amount of Treasury bills and a small number of local authority bills.

Discount houses were bidding around 9⅞ per cent for fresh funds, and making only very limited progress against the competition of the interbank market, where rates at one stage were getting up to 11½ per cent. At the finish some houses picked cheaper balances. Books were eventually ruled off within a band of 8 per cent to 9½ per cent.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 10% (Last changed 6/6/78)

Clearing Banks Base Rate 10%

Discount Mkt Loans %
Overnight: High 10 Low 8
Week Fixed 9¾-9¾

Treasury Bills (Dis%)			
Buying		Selling	
2 months	9¼	2 months	9⅛
3 months	9⅛	3 months	9⅛

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%)		Trades (Dis%)	
2 months	9¾-9⅝	3 months	10¼
3 months	9⅝-9½	4 months	10¼
4 months	9⅝-9⅝	6 months	10⅜
6 months	9⅝-9⅝		

Local Authority Bonds			
1 month	10¼-10	7 months	9⅞-9⅝
2 months	9⅞-9⅝	8 months	9⅞-9⅝
3 months	9⅞-9⅝	9 months	10⅛-9⅞
4 months	9⅝-9⅝	10 months	10⅛-9⅞
5 months	9⅝-9⅝	11 months	10⅛-9⅞
6 months	9⅝-9⅝	12 months	10⅛-9⅞

Secondary Mkt. ECD Rates (%)			
1 month	10¼-9⅞	6 months	10-9⅞
3 months	10-9⅞	12 months	10¼-10

Local Authority Market (%)			
2 days	10	3 months	9¾
7 days	10	6 months	10¼
1 month	9⅞	1 year	10¼

Interbank Market (%)			
Overnight: Open 10¼-10½		Close 9¾	
1 week	10¼-10⅛	6 months	10⅛-10¼
1 month	10⅛-10⅛	9 months	10⅛-10¼
3 months	10⅛-10	12 months	10⅛-10¼

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate %)
3 months 10⅝ 6 months 10⅝

Finance House Base Rate 10½%

Commodities

COPPER was firmer.—Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £704.50-05.00 a metric ton; three months, £725-25.50. Sales, 7,850. Cash cathodes, £701-703; three months, £721.50-22.50. Sales, 25 tons. Morning.—Cash wire bars, £701.50-02.00; three months, £721.50-22.00. Settlement, £702. Sales, 7,200 tons. Cash cathodes, £698.50-99.00; three months, £718-18.50. Settlement, £699. Sales, 850 tons.

SILVER was steady.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot 280.1p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 528.7); three months 287.2p (539.0c); six months, 293.65p (551.0c); one year 312.10p (574.4c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash 279.9-80.1p; three months 287-87.1p. Sales, 74 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 280.1-80.2p; three months, 287.2-87.3p. Settlement, 280.2p. Sales, 50 lots.

TIN was steady.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £6,620-30 a metric ton; three months, £6,550-60. Sales, 300 tons. High grade, cash £6,620-30; three months, £6,560-75. Sales, nil tons. Morning.—Standard cash, £6,670-80; three months, £6,585-90. Settlement, £6,680. Sales, 860 tons. High grade, cash, £6,680-85; three months, £6,595-6,605. Settlement, £6,685. Sales, 40 tons. Singapore tin ex-works, $M1,741 a picul.

LEAD was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash £311-11.50 per metric ton; three months £319.50-20.00. Sales, 950 tons. Morning.—Cash £310-311; three months £319-19.25. Settlement £311. Sales, 4,450 tons.

ZINC was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash £314.25-14.50 a metric ton; three months, £374.25-24.50. Sales, 1,000 tons. Morning.—Cash £312-313; three months, £322-323. Settlement, £313. Sales, 7,900 tons. All afternoon prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM was at £128.10 ($241.00) a troy ounce.

RUBBER was steadier (pence per kilo).—Aug, 53.70-54.10; Sept, 54.70-54.94; Oct-Dec, 56.10-56.20; Jan-March, 58.15-58.20; April-June, 60.10-60.15; July-Sept, 61.95-62.00; Oct-Dec, 63.75-63.80; Jan-March, 65.55-65.60; April-June, 67.20-67.30. Sales, 7 lots at 5 tonnes; 191 at 15 tonnes.

RUBBER PHYSICALS were steady.—Spot, 53.25-54.25; Cifs, Aug, 55.50-55.70; Sept, 55.75-56.25.

COFFEE: Robustas were barely steady; arabicas were dull.

ARABICAS ($ per 50 kilos): Aug, [illegible]; May, 1140-48; July, 1112-25. Sales: 3081 lots, including 41 options.

ROBUSTAS (£ per metric ton): July, 161-70; Oct, 145-55; Dec, 138-46; 1390-1400; Sept, 1333-34; Nov, 1279-Feb, 127-37; April, 125-30; June, 80; Jan, 1225-28; March, 1176-79; 120-20; Aug, 120-28. Sales: nil.

COCOA was barely steady (£ per metric ton).—July, 1729.50-30.00; Sept, 1716-17; Dec, 1696-97; March, 1674-76; May, 1650-57; July, 1630-56; Sept, 1600-20.0. Sales: 1640 lots including one option. ICCO prices: daily, 140.57c; 15-day average, 141.55c; 22-day average, 138.27c. (US cents per lb).

SUGAR: The London daily price of "raws" was £3 lower at £87; the "whites" price was 50p lower at £97.50. Futures were irregular (£ per metric ton).—Aug, 88.50-88.40; Oct, 89.65-89.70; Dec, 92.30-92.40; March, 99.20-99.25; May, 102-02.25; Aug, 105-05.35; Oct, 108.30-09.00. Sales: 2980 lots. ISA prices: 6.64c; 15-day average, 6.88c.

SOYABEAN MEAL was quiet (£ per metric ton).—Aug, 118.80-19.30; Oct, 119.30-19.50; Dec, 116.50-17.00; Feb, 117.60-18.30; April, 118.50-20.50; June, 119-22; Aug, 119-24. Sales: 19 lots.

WOOL: Greasy futures were steady (pence per kilo).—July, 230-53; Oct, 241-42; Dec, 244-48; March, 247-50; May, 248-52; July, 249-52; Oct, 248-53; Dec, 248-63. Sales: nil.

JUTE was steady. Bangladesh white "C" grade, Sept-Oct, $475 per long ton. "D" grade, Sept-Oct, $459. Calcutta was steady. Indian, spot, Rs 650 per bale of 400lb. Dundee Tossa Four, spot, Rs650.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—WHEAT.—Canadian western red spring No 1, 13½ per cent: July and Aug, £93.50 Tilbury. US dark northern spring No 2, 14 per cent: July, £83.50; Aug, £82.75; Sept, £83.75 trans-shipment east coast.

MAIZE.—No 3 yellow American/French: July, £103; Aug, £98.75; Sept, £100 trans-shipment east coast. South African white: Aug, £69 Liverpool/Glasgow. South African yellow: Aug, £69 Liverpool, Glasgow.

BARLEY was unquoted. All per tonne cif UK unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta). EEC origin.—BARLEY was quietly steady. Sept, £78.05; Nov, £81.40; Jan, £84.05; March, £86.50; May, £89.15. Sales: 56 lots.

WHEAT was quietly steady. Sept, £83.35; Nov, £85.95; Jan, £88.76; March, £91.40; May, £94. Sales: 100 lots.

Home-Grown Cereal Authority.—Location ex-farm spot prices:

	Other milling WHEAT	Feed WHEAT	Feed BARLEY
Humberside	—	£97.40	£79.40
Gloucester	—	—	£80.80

Meat Commission: Average fatstock prices at representative markets on July 11.—GB: Cattle 72.71p per kglw (+0.74). UK: Sheep 143.0p per kg estdcw (+0.6). GB: Pigs 63.8p per kglw (+1.4). England and Wales: Cattle numbers down 14.1 per cent, average price 72.02p (+0.54). Sheep number up 27.6 per cent, average price 143.8n (+0.8). Pig numbers up 11.3 per cent, average price 63.9p (+1.6). Scotland: Cattle numbers up 12.3 per cent, average price 74.36p (+0.64). Sheep numbers up 72.0 per cent, average price 133.5p (+0.6). Pig numbers up 5.9 per cent, average price 63.2p (−0.5).

EGGS (The London Egg Exchange). In home-produced a steady market on all sizes with 3's and 6's a strong feature.

Home-produced market prices (in £ per 120, based on trading packer first-hand):

Whites	Wed Thur Fri	Mon Tues
1s	4.50 to 4.80	4.60 to 4.90
2s	4.25 to 4.70	4.25 to 4.70
3s	3.70 to 3.50	3.80 to 3.50
4s	2.80 to 3.30	3.00 to 3.30
5s	2.50 to 3.00	2.60 to 2.95
6s	2.10 to 2.30	2.30 to 2.50
7s	1.50 to 1.80	1.70 to 1.80
Brown		
1s	5.20 to 5.50	5.20 to 5.30
2s	4.70 to 5.00	4.80 to 5.00
3s	3.30 to 3.50	3.30 to 3.50
4s	3.00 to 3.40	3.00 to 3.40

All prices quoted are for bulk delivery in Keyes trays. The above range is a guide to general market conditions and is dependent upon location, quantity and whether delivered or not.

TEA.—Demand was fairly good but selective for the 50,521 packages on offer at the weekly auction. Assams were 2p to 4p per kilo lower apart from colourv dusts, which were often dearer. Bright Africans were firm to dearer with dusts a strong feature. Mediums were irregular and 2p to 3p per kilo easier, and sometimes more, while plain liquoring poor leaf types were often neglected. There was less demand for Sri Lankan except for the very best quality teas, and prices were lower. Bops were often neglected and bopfs were 5p per kilo easier.

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The Over-the-Counter Market

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P/E
64	29	Airsprung Ord	64	—	5.4	8.4	8.4
203	106	Airsprung 18½% CULS	203	—	18.5	9.1	—
46	25	Armitage & Rhodes	42	—	3.3	7.8	17.9
162	105	Bardon Hill	162	—	12.0	7.4	8.8
116	51	Deborah Ord	116	—	5.1	4.4	9.4
230	108	Deborah 17½% CULS	230	—	17.5	7.6	—
147	120	Frederick Parker	129	—	12.4	9.6	5.1
153	135	George Blair	149	—	15.0	10.0	5.9
58	36	Jackson Group	50	—	5.0	10.0	5.8
114	55	James Burrough	106	—	6.5	6.1	9.8
340	188	Robert Jenkins	315	—	26.7	8.5	5.3
24	9	Twinlock Ord	19	—	—	—	17.0
82	54	Twinlock 12% ULS	78	—	12.0	15.3	—
81	54	Unilock Holdings	80	—	7.4	9.2	8.6
105	67	Walter Alexander	105	—	6.4	6.1	7.7

Scapa Group

Extracts from the Statement by the Chairman, Mr. T. Dickson Walker.

The year under review has been one of varying fortunes which have been affected by the movement of exchange rates as well as by trading factors. Some 75% of the Group's trade is overseas.

In trading terms the Group's activity remained at a high level.

Expenditure of £4.3m was incurred on fixed assets last year and a further £3m is in process for 1978/79.

Since the end of the year the Company has acquired Bury & Masco (Holdings) Limited and Engineered Yarns Inc. in the U.S.A.

There is no apparent reason why 1978/79 should not be a year of progress.

Results	1978 £'000	1977 £'000
Sales	52,361	44,835
Profit before tax	7,137	7,630
Profit after tax	3,587	3,841
Dividends	1,224	816
Earnings per share	16.7p	19.9p
Dividends per share	5.44225p	4.3538p

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Copies of the Report and Accounts containing the Chairman's Statement in full can be obtained from the Secretary.

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Authorized Unit Trusts

1977/78 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Abbey Unit Trust Managers. 72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941			
34.1	24.2	Abbey Capital	32.8	34.9	4.19
45.3	32.1	Abbey General	42.5	45.4	4.06
40.3	29.8	Do Income	39.1	41.6	7.89
36.8	27.6	Do Invest	33.9	35.8	4.18
		Allen Harvey Ross Unit Trust Managers Ltd [illegible]			
		Allied Hambro Group. Hambro Hse, Hutton, Essex. 01-588 2851			
		[remaining unit trust, insurance bond and offshore fund listings illegible at this scan resolution]			

Insurance Bonds and Funds

		Abbey Life Assurance Co Ltd. 1-3 St Pauls Churchyard, EC4P 4DX. 01-248 9111			
36.7	28.3	Equity Fund (3)	35.8	37.7	..
30.9	23.3	Do Accum (3)	30.7	32.3	..
148.6	128.8	Prop Fund (27)	148.6	156.5	..
154.7	130.0	Do Accum (27)	154.7	162.9	..
89.3	70.4	Select Fund (3)	89.3	94.0	..
131.1	124.1	Conv Fund	131.1	138.0	..
121.4	116.8	Money Fund	121.4	127.8	..
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Offshore and International Funds

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• Ex dividend. * Not available to the general public. † Guernsey gross yield. ‡ Previous day's price. § Ex all. e Dealings suspended. d Subdivided. f Cash value for £100 premium. g Ex bonus. h Estimated yield. k Yield before Jersey tax. p Periodic premium. s Single premium. Dealing or valuation days—(1) Monday, (2) Tuesday, (3) Wednesday, (4) Thursday, (5) Friday. (6) July 25. (9) July 31. (10) July 31. (14) Aug 1. (16) July 26. (18) Aug 1. (20) 20th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Tuesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Thursday of month. (27) Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 15th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th month. (33) 1st day of Feb, May, Aug, Nov. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of each month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) Valued monthly.

Stock Exchange Prices

Rally peters out

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, July 10. Dealings End, July 21. § Contango Day, July 24. Settlement Day, Aug 1

§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

BRITISH FUNDS

1977-78 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. Yield	Gross Red. Yield
96¾	95¾	Exch 3½	96¾	..	5 049	9.511
95¾	84⅝	Treas 11½pc	1979	101¼	11.358	9.410
84⅝	77½	Treas 3½	1979	89¾	3.137	6.856
4	89¼	Elec 3½pc	1976-79	99½	4.433	7.872
92¾	92¾	Treas 10¼pc	1979	100¾	10.486	10.333
84½	84½	Elec 3½pc	1976-79	96	3.646	6.641
87¼	87¼	Treas Cnv 9½	1989	97¾	9.272	10.985
89¾	89¾	Treas 9¾pc	1989	97¾	9.737	10.967
83¾	83¾	Treas 3½pc	1977-80	93¾	3.733	7.024
83¾	83¾	Fund 3½pc	1978-80	94¾	3.578	8.622
98¾	98¾	Exch 13½pc	1980	103¾	12.947	11.176
95¾	95¾	Treas 11¾pc	1981	100¾	11.635	11.214
94½	77⅝	Treas 3½pc	1979-81	89½	3.885	7.838
104	88¼	Treas 9½pc	1981	95¾	10 119	11.321
97¾	91¾	Exch 9½pc	1981	93	8 571	11.120
110¼	94¾	Exch 9¾pc	1981	99¾	9.962	11.335
92¾	85¾	Exch 3½pc	1981	89½	3.486	8.188
113⅝	98¼	Exch 12¾pc	1981	103¾	12 362	11.569
106⅝	93¼	Treas 9¾pc	1980-82	97¾	9 178	11.081
92¾	73¾	Treas 3½pc	1982	94	3.872	8.319
119¼	101¼	Treas 14½pc	1982	106¾	13 093	11.511
98¾	88¼	Treas 8¾pc	1982	90¾	8 140	11.360
103¾	91¼	Exch 9¾pc	1982	91¾	10.062	11.714
96¾	84¾	Exch 8¾pc	1983	90¾	9.696	11.566
77¾	70¾	Exch 3½pc	1982	79¾	3 754	9.343
114¾	95¼	Treas. 12½pc	1983	101¼	11 551	11.833
101¾	89¾	Treas 9¾pc	1983	96¾	10 176	11 701
85	72¾	Fund 3½pc	1982-84	82	6 783	9.757
99¾	72¾	Treas 9¾pc	1984	96¾	9 576	11.832
97½	87	Fund 3½pc	1982-87	79¾	5 338	10 374
102½	88¼	Treas 9¾pc	1985-87	95¾	9 576	11.057
77¾	69¾	Treas 3½pc	1985-89	71	4 788	9 672
75¾	54¼	Treas 3½pc	1986-96	69¾	7 842	10 240
120½	98¾	Treas 13¼pc	1990	107¾	12 515	12 365
93¾	67¾	Treas 9¾pc	1990	85¾	10 440	11.357
111	90¾	Treas 11¾pc	1991	99½	12 319	12 411
75¾	54	Treas 3½pc	1991-91	64	4 923	11 000
117	86¾	Treas 12¾pc	1992	109¾	12 612	11 574
98¾	85¾	Treas 10½pc	1992	94¾	11 799	11 134
113	89¾	Exch 12¾pc	1992	103¾	12 562	12 230
113¾	97¾	Treas 11¾pc	1993	104¾	12 606	12 025
94¾	74¾	Fund 3½pc	1992	79¾	6 797	11 437
114¾	93¾	Treas 12pc	1992	105¾	12 944	12 767
99	76	Treas 14½pc	1994	110¾	13 051	12 634
94¾	84¾	Exch 12¾pc	1994	102¾	12 686	12 522
99¾	84¾	Treas 12pc	1994	104¾	11 502	12 071
95¾	82¾	Exch 10½pc	1994-96	93¾	8 813	9.901
91¾	82¾	Exch 10½pc	1995	44¾	11 077	12 404
119¼	89¾	Treas 12pc	1995-97	107¾	12 722	12 704
87¾	67¾	Treas 9pc	1994-96	77¾	9 685	11 677
102¼	101¼	Treas 15pc	1996	114¾	13 194	12 979
93¾	74¾	Exch 13¾pc	1996	105¾	12 814	12 758
32	32	Rdmptn 3½	1986-96	43¾	6 991	9.763
97¾	75¾	Treas 12¾pc	1997	107¾	12 829	11 767
98¾	84¾	Exch 10½pc	1997	99¾	12 476	12 532
83¾	63¾	Treas 9¾pc	1997	77¾	11 736	12 386
51	51	Treas 4¾pc	1998-88	62¾	11 102	11 986
103¾	103¾	Treas 13¾pc	1998	122¾	13 168	12 988
98¾	98¾	Exch 12¾pc	1998	107¾	12 626	12 681
98¾	98¾	Treas 12¾pc	1998	107¾	11 992	12 393
98¾	98¾	Treas 10½pc	1999	99¾	12 360	12 547
93¾	93¾	Fund 3½pc	1999-04	85¾	9 781	11 037
103¾	103¾	Treas 8¾pc	2002-06	84¾	12 010	11 225
97¾	97¾	Treas 8¾pc	2006-12	87¾	12 012	11 223
53½	53½	Treas 2½pc	2012-15	43¾	12 102	12 190
24¾	24¾	Consols 4pc		32¾	12 511	..
24¾	24¾	War Ln 3½pc		30½	11 628	..
23¾	23¾	Cons 2½pc		24¾	10 364	..
23¾	23¾	Treas 2½pc		24¾	10 364	..
24¾	24¾	Consols 2½pc		25¾	12 149	..
17¾	17¾	Treas. 2½pc	Aft 75	26¾	12 546	..

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

84¾	79½	Aust 5½pc	77-80	93¾	5.910	10.897	92
83¾	69¾	Aust 5½pc	81-82	83¾	6.601	11.507	278
87¾	85¾	Aust 6pc	81-83	78¾	7 627	11.433	54
95	77¾	Aust 7pc	78-81	90½	7.937	11.636	96
98	94	Chilean Mixed	90		45¾	17½	BSG Int
97¾	94¾	E Africa 5½pc	57-63	72¾	7.787	13 074	BSR Ltd
204	197	German 4½pc	1930	400	..	..	BTR Ltd
23½	23½	Hungary 4½pc	1924	50	..	..	Babcock & W
95¾	85¾	Ireland 3½pc	91-93	93½	..	..	Baggeridge Brk
94¾	94¾	Jamaica 6½pc	77-79	97½	7.953	10.458	Bailey C.H. Ord
220	220	Japan Ass 4½	1905	87½	..	..	Baker Perkins
63	63	Japan 6½pc	53-68	89	..	..	Bamberger
65	65	Kenya 5½pc	78-82	78¾	6 541	13 456	Bambers Stores
89	89	Malaya 7½pc	78-82	94¾	8 830	12 338	Barker & Dobson
93¾	91½	N Z 5½pc	76-80	94½	10.062	11 714	Barlow Rand
79¾	79¾	N Z 5½pc	77-81	89½	10.780	12 352	Barr & Wallace
77¾	73¾	N Z 7½pc	78-82	88¾	9 155	10 969	Do A
95¾	95¾	N Rhd 6½pc	78-81	88	6 760	11 328	Barratt Devs
74	74	Nyasa 6½pc	78-81	87½	6.779	11.152	Barrow Hepbn
142	142	Peru 6pc	Ass	142	..	..	Barton & Sons
93½	93½	Queensland 5½pc	78-81	94½	..	..	Bassett G.
80	80	S Rhd 6½pc	77-81	91	..	..	Bath & Pland
84	84	S Rhd 6½pc	78-81	91	..	..	Beales J.
65	65	Spanish 6pc	68	90	..	..	Beatson Clark
97	97	Tas 5½pc	78-82	94	7.181	12.501	Bedford A.
80	80	Uruguay 4½pc	1896	80½	..	..	Beecham Grp

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

97	88½	L C C 3½	1920	23¾	..	13 300	..
84¾	84¾	L C C 3½	50-53	77¾	..	6 350	10 845
84¾	84¾	L C C 3½	52-57	84¾	..	6 908	11 021
84¾	84¾	L C C 3½	52-54	78¾	..	7 025	10 446
83¾	83¾	L C C 3½	55-57	81¾	..	8 139	11 375
83¾	83¾	L C C 3½	57-59	81¾	..	8 316	10 819
84¾	84¾	L C C 3½	59-60	80¾	..	10 073	12 057
84¾	84¾	L C C 3½	60-62	80¾	..	10 616	12 336
84¾	84¾	L C C 3½	62-63	80¾	..	10 941	12 523
83¾	83¾	G L C 3½	1962	101½	..	12 308	11 968
91	91	G L C 3½pc	1963	99¾	..	12 401	12 286
79¾	79¾	C of L 6½pc	80-82	92¾	..	6 686	10 038
89¾	89¾	Ag Mt 7½pc	81-84	99¾	..	9 579	12 225
87¾	87¾	Ag Mt 7½pc	84-86	99¾	..	11 572	12 667
89¾	89¾	Ag Mt 8½pc	85-90	95¾	..	10 511	12 624
73¾	73¾	Belfast 6½pc	77-80	89¾	..	7 584	11 906
84¾	84¾	Brighton 6½pc	76-79	97¾	..	6 693	10 283
84¾	84¾	Camden 6½pc	77-79	95¾	..	6 686	10 189
84¾	84¾	Croydon 6½pc	78-81	94¾	..	7 393	13 109
85¾	85¾	Edin 6½pc	77-79	96	..	6 654	9 997
84¾	84¾	Glasgow 6½pc	80-82	91	..	10 168	11 974
89	89	Gwich 6½pc	76-78	98	..	6 817	11 852
96¾	96¾	Liverpl 13½pc	1981	103¾	..	13 075	12 196
84¾	84¾	Met Water B 3½pc	31-63	58¾	..	10 944	12 629
72	72	N I 6½pc	77-80	91½	..	7 103	12 961
73	73	N I 6½pc	82-84	78¾	..	9 284	13 138
84¾	84¾	N I Elec 6½pc	81-83	91	..	8 925	11 935
99½	99½	Notts 6½pc	76-78	99¾	..	6 775	10 702
84¾	84¾	Nthmld 3½pc	57-62	77¾	..	9 841	11 170
84¾	84¾	Sheffd 3½pc	63-65	77½	..	9 841	11 170
84½	77¾	Surrey 6½pc	78-80	91½	..	6 558	11 656

BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

205	155	Alexs Discount	200	-5	21.7	9.4	5.2
219½	215½	Allen H & Rovs	258	..	29.1	9.8	6.6
358½	358½	Allied Irish	443	..	40.1	9.0	5.5
169	169	Arb-Latham	190	..	15.3	10.2	9.4
180	180	ANZ Grp	278	..	10.8	3.9	9.3
1½	1½	Bank America	1½	..	49.0	3.7	12.8
202½	202½	Bk of Ireland	270	-10	22.7	8.0	5.2
14	14	Bk Leumi Israel	14	..	0.4	2.1	13.4
160	160	Bk Leumi UK	160	..	11.2	7.0	14.3
370	370	Bk of NSW	570	-5	19.3	3.4	12.3
223	223	Bk of Scotland	282	-4	18.5	6.9	7.5
39½	39½	Banks Trst NY	42½	..	7.6	4.9	10.5
251	251	Barclays Bank	315	-3	20.1b	6.4	5.4
115	115	Brown Shipley	238	..	14.1	6.3	7.3
196½	196½	Cater Ryder	258	-4	25.6	10.0	..
171	171	Chase Man	224½	..	13.8	6.2	10.0
139½	139½	Citicorp	182½	..	61.8	3.3	11.2
51½	51½	Clive Discount	76	+1	7.0	9.2	8.7
158	158	Com Bk of Aust	209	..	9.4	4.3	10.3
115	115	Com Bk of Wst	150	..	7.6	4.9	..
17½	17½	Cr De France	23½	..	95.0	4.1	16.4
4	4	First Nat Fin	5½	..	..	..	..
7	7	Fraser Anx	10½	..	..	..	..
130	130	Gerrard & Nat	176	-2	12.4	7.0	4.6
37	37	Gibbs A.	50	..	3.3	8.3	17.2
45½	45½	Gillett Bros	235	-3	23.0	10.2	5.6
114	114	Grindlays Bldgs	113	+1	4.2	3.7	3.8
230	230	Gutmann Pest	295	+3	16.2	5.9	11.7
72	72	Hambros	118	..	14.8	9.7	..
142	142	Do Ord	170	..	14.8	8.6	4.9
74	74	Hill Samuel	97	..	7.1	9.5	8.8
207½	207½	Hong K & Shang	240	-8	7.8	3.3	23.6
54½	54½	Jessel Toynbee	56	..	5.0	8.8	..
215	215	Joseph L.	210	-6	12.0	5.7	10.4
21	21	Kerrer Ullmann	44	+1	1.0	2.2	6.2
42	42	King & Shaxson	58	..	8.9	4.4	4.1
26	26	Rhimvari Pen	80	..	6.2	8.9	6.6
185	185	Lloyds Bank	238	-8	13.9	5.1	5.3
92	92	Mercury Secs	107	..	9.3	5.6	4.9
253½	253½	Midland	328	-3	23.4	5.7	6.9
43½	43½	Minster Assets	58	..	5.1	9.2	5.2
134	134	Nat of Aust	203	..	9.3	4.1	9.1
78	78	Nat Com Bk Grp	72	+2	4.2	5.8	5.3
205	205	Nat Westminster	278	+1	17.4	6.4	5.6
29	29	Ottoman	143	..	2.0	1.4	5.5
45	45	Rea Bros	80	..	5.5	6.9	10.8
248½	248½	Roy of Can Can	323½	..	17.8	5.1	23.5
240	240	Schroders	350	..	23.3	6.6	4.9
35½	35½	Seccombe Mar	210	..	20.2	9.6	8.7
76	76	Smith St Aubyn	76	..	10.0	..	..
293	293	Standard Chart	380	-10	28.3	7.5	4.9
213½	213½	Union Discount	315	..	24.0	7.6	5.4
37	37	Wintrust	68	..	4.6	6.8	17.3

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

58	58	Allied	84	..	6.2	7.4	11.3
97	97	Bass Charrgton	134	+2	7.6	4.9	10.3
76	76	Belhaven Grp	90	..	7.0	7.8	7.3
75½	75½	Bell A.	238	+5	7.4	3.1	9.4
54½	54½	Boddingtons	107	+1	4.8	4.5	12.2
64	64	Brew & N.	110	..	6.1	9.5	12.9
98	98	Bulmer H.P Hldgs	119	..	4.9	4.1	7.8
60	60	Burtons ord	156	-2	5.2	3.3	9.2
48	48	C of Ldn Brd	54	..	3.8	7.1	22.2
100	100	Devenish	182	..	9.1	5.0	9.6
176	176	Distillers	184	+1	9.8	5.4	11.6
109½	109½	Greenall	115	+3	4.2	3.6	11.6
252	252	Greene King	272	+7	12.7	4.5	13.2
134	134	Guinness	150	+2	11.0	6.0	7.5
95	95	Hardys & H'sons	173	..	10.9	6.3	11.8
53	53	Highland	138	..	4.4	3.4	10.4
83	83	Ind Cpn	103	..	5.4	5.2	9.5
42	42	Irish Distillers	132	+1	6.1	4.6	10.3
31	31	Marston	69	+1	2.7	3.9	10.8
46	46	Scot & Newcastle	62½	+1½	3.2	5.1	6.4
114½	114½	Seagram	155½	+7	12.7	8.2	12.4
80	80	SA Breweries	82½	+1	7.0	8.5	4.4
42	42	Tomatin	114	-1	4.5	4.0	14.1
87	87	Vaux	114	-3	8.1	9.3	5.2
94½	94½	Whitbread 'A'	134	..	6.0	6.4	9.8
80	80	Do B	90	+1	6.0	6.2	8.7
88	88	Whitbread Inv	80	-1	6.1	6.6	21.8
114	114	Wolverhampton	205	-1	9.2	4.5	12.1

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1977-78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div	Yld %	P/E
72	33	Cornercroft	65	h ..	6.3b	9.7	12.7
68½	22½	Cossit	32	x +1	3.4	6.5	4.8
221½	89½	Costain R.	186	+2	9.9	5.1	6.2
63	8	Countryside	43	+3	1.8	4.2	15.9
112	73	Courts (Furn)	107	..	5.3	4.9	6.6
109	73	Do A NV	107	..	5.2	4.9	6.6
135	90	Courtaulds	117	..	11.4	9.7	10.5
72	30	Courtney Pope	61	..	3.5	5.9	8.7
78	30½	C'wan de Groot	68	..	3.5	5.0	4.2
44½	23	Cowie T.	38	..	2.7	7.1	3.4
44	15	Crellon Bldgs	16	..	..	..	..
89	28	Crest Nicholson	83	+1	5.6	6.7	9.8
72	43	Crods Int	54	+½	3.3	6.1	8.5
43	28	Cronite Grp	40	..	3.7	9.3	13.4
86	32	Cropper J.	58	x ..	2.3	3.9	2.9
187	78	Albright & W	187	h ..	7.6	3.7	12.2
162	147	Alcan Ord	148	..	15.0	10.1	4.7
96	69	Do 10½pc	£81½	..	1000	12.9	..
160	71	Do 9½ Cnv	£145	..	980	6.2	..
300	205	Alginate Ind	285	..	21.2	8.0	7.7
77	44	Allen E. Balfour	47	⊕ -1	4.6	14.0	9.9
98	29½	Allen W. G.	47	..	4.3	9.1	5.2
160½	44½	Allied Colloids	73	..	2.4	3.3	12.9
74	43	Allied Insulators	71	-1	6.3	8.8	5.4
22½	14	Allied Plant	15	..	1.1	7.1	7.3
17	7½	Alpine Hldgs	67	..	3.8	5.6	17.2
330	216	Amal Metal	330	..	24.0	7.3	13.4
141	97¼	Amal Power	140	..	8.0	5.7	3.7
41	21	Amber Day	39½	+1	3.0	7.7	8.7
25	5	Amber Ind Hldgs	25	..	0.5	2.0	4.8
96	41	Anchor Chem	87	..	6.3	9.2	4.3
330	220	Anderson Strath	68½	+2	4.7	6.9	6.5
90	48½	Anglia TV 'A'	76	+2	6.7	8.8	5.3
370	250	Anglo Amer Ind	370	⊕ +2	7.2	4.3	7.1
97	45	Bortinwich T.	48	+1	9.4	20.4	6.3
177½	111½	Boulton W.	168½	..	17.7	10.2	6.8
218	160	Bowater Corp	188	+2	14.7	7.8	8.6
66	34	Bowthrpe Hldgs	51	..	2.5b	4.8	6.0
100	63	Braby Leslie	94	+2	8.0	8.5	3.5
76	60	Brady Ind	65	..	5.6	11.3	13.3
75	34	Do A	56	+2	5.6	13.2	10.6
40	23½	Braham Millar	38	⊕ ..	2.4	6.4	4.8
43	17	Braid Grp	40	⊕ ..	2.2	5.4	6.0
179	67½	Braithwaite	133	..	11.7	8.8	7.4
152	44½	Brammer H.	148	..	6.4	4.3	9.7
187	78	Brenner	57	..	6.8	10.1	14.4
191	70¾	Brent Chem Int	178	⊕ ..	4.7	2.6	15.0
64	25	Brent Walker	54	..	1.9	3.5	22.4
43	22	Brickhouse Dud	43	⊕ ..	3.6	8.3	6.6
172	90	Bridon	97	-1	9.7	9.6	9.6
41½	27½	Bright J. Grp	29	+½	3.7	12.7	9.9
42	29	Brit Car Auctn	43	+1	3.9b	8.6	10.7
246	137	Brit Home Stre	157	+2	9.5	5.1	15.1
23	..	Brit Leyland	23	..	..	..	..
130½	77	Brit Northrop	81	+3	9.1	11.3	5.2
55	31	Brit Printing	50	+½	4.8	9.6	4.5
92	50	Brit Sch Spec	87	..	7.8	8.9	7.6
124	58½	Brit Sugar	113	..	7.2b	6.4	2.7
130	36½	Brit Syphon Ind	61½	..	4.6	7.6	4.4
59¾	30½	Brit Tar Prod	56½	⊕ +½	2.1	3.7	10.4
91	36½	Brit Vita	81	+1	2.7	3.0	4.0
30	13½	Brittains	27	+1½	2.3	8.4	7.0
128	58½	Barratt Devs	101	+1	12.3	12.1	4.7
38	25	Barrow Hepbn	29	..	5.6	19.2	5.0
57	33½	Barton & Sons	57	+3	4.1	7.2	8.9
71	39	Bassett G.	71	⊕ ..	5.2	6.9	4.3
99	69	Bath & Pland	75	⊕ ..	5.2	6.9	4.3
75	34	Beales J.	75	+2	4.4	5.8	3.2
202	66	Beatson Clark	184	..	7.8	4.2	4.9
52	25½	Beauford Grp	48	-2	5.1	10.5	8.0
91	27	Beckman A.	74	+1	7.4	10.0	8.2
160	372	Beecham Grp	665	..	28.2	4.2	12.7
83	30½	Bejam Grp	66	+2	2.3	3.5	6.3
54	34	Bemrose Corp	69	-1	5.8	8.4	9.1
74	25½	Bean Bros	74	⊕ +1	3.6	4.6	11.9
146	74½	Berisf'd S & W	146	+3	6.5	4.5	5.2
62	31	Borisfords	56	..	3.7	6.6	4.7
56	36	Bost & May	56	..	4.3	7.6	9.8
166	122	Bestobell	158	..	14.3	9.2	7.0
58	28	Bett Bros	58	⊕ ..	2.7b	4.6	9.2
240	102	Bibby J.	232	+1	9.9	4.3	4.4
56	29½	Bituruated Eng	46	..	4.3	9.3	4.6
84	50	Birm'gham Mint	72	..	6.6	9.2	7.8
205	148	Bishops Stores	195	..	9.8	5.0	10.3
154	90	Bisset Hadlow'n	128	..	9.8	7.6	5.2
134	36	Campari	117	..	3.0	2.6	6.0
121	64	Do B	104	..	..	..	..
92	45½	Camrex Hldgs	82	..	5.0	6.1	5.5
179	37	Canning W.	62	+1	5.3	8.6	5.6
136	67	Cape Ind	125	+1	12.4	9.9	3.3
137	70	Caplan Profile	99	-1	6.8	10.1	14.4
90	33½	Capper Neill	85½	-1½	3.2	3.9	4.1
93	33	Caravans Int	76½	-½	7.3	9.5	2.9
72	35	Carclo Eng	72	+1	4.5	6.3	5.3
51	32	Carlton Capel	32	..	3.4	4.4	5.9
192	98	Carlton Ind	192	xb ..	9.3	4.3	7.4
57	37	Carpets Int	57	-½	..	..	14.5
187	78	Carr J. (Dom)	45	+1	3.4	7.5	7.0
246	137	Carrton Vly	37½	-½	3.2	8.5	4.7
64	38	Carroll P. J.	65	..	9.7	10.2	7.3
43½	22½	Casket & Hldgs	38½	+1½	3.3	8.6	4.6
25	7	Causton Sir J.	18½	-½	..	..	4.1
165	88	Cawoods	129	+2	8.3	6.4	10.2
300	12	Celsetion	30½	⊕ -½	1.1	3.7	6.0
83	32½	Cement Ridstone	83	-1½	4.5	5.4	8.0
53½	23	Cen & Sheer	43½	-½	3.6	5.6	9.3
60	35½	Central Man	52	..	4.6	8.8	3.5
263	65½	Centreway Ltd	236	..	17.5	7.4	6.7
34	34	Ch'nbn & Hill	56	..	4.1	8.3	3.5
58½	27½	Chamberl'n Grp	44	..	4.2	9.5	8.2
33	9½	Change Wares	29½	..	0.9	3.0	16.4
54½	37	Do Cnv Cum	30	..	1.8	5.9	7.1
202	66	Chloride Grp	114	-3	7.8	6.8	9.8
52	25½	Christies Int	109	-1	5.0	4.6	9.3
91	27	Christy Bros	49	-1	4.3	8.7	4.7
35	17	Brooke Tool	33	+1	3.3b	11.4	7.0
148	83	Chubb & Sons	120	+1	9.8	7.3	12.1
198	57	Church & Co	168	-2	5.1	3.1	12.1
75	45	Coalite & Chem	69	..	4.2	6.4	5.1
78	50	Coates Bros	78	+2	4.5	5.8	22.2
79	45	Do A	69	+1	3.5	5.1	6.7
57	45	Coats Patons	72½	+1	4.8	6.6	4.9
130	45	Cole R. H. 'A'	114	..	5.6	4.9	5.5
63	33	Collett D'son	56	..	3.0	5.3	3.5
186	89	Collins W.	137	..	7.0	5.1	8.5
186	98	Do A	133	..	7.0	5.3	8.2
38	14	Comben Grp	29	..	2.6	8.9	9.5
230	148	Bishops Stores	195	..	9.8	5.0	10.3
205	57	Comer Radiov'n	128	..	2.8	2.2	8.7
114	64	CompAir	82	+1	3.7	6.2	7.4
68	23½	Compton Webb	34	+½	2.8	8.3	6.7
70	18	Cook W.	28	..	2.6	9.3	6.2
37	27	Cope Allman	61	..	3.2	5.6	6.2
17	9	Copson F.	15	..	1.1	7.5	7.8
52	39	Corah	34½	+½	2.8	8.1	4.8
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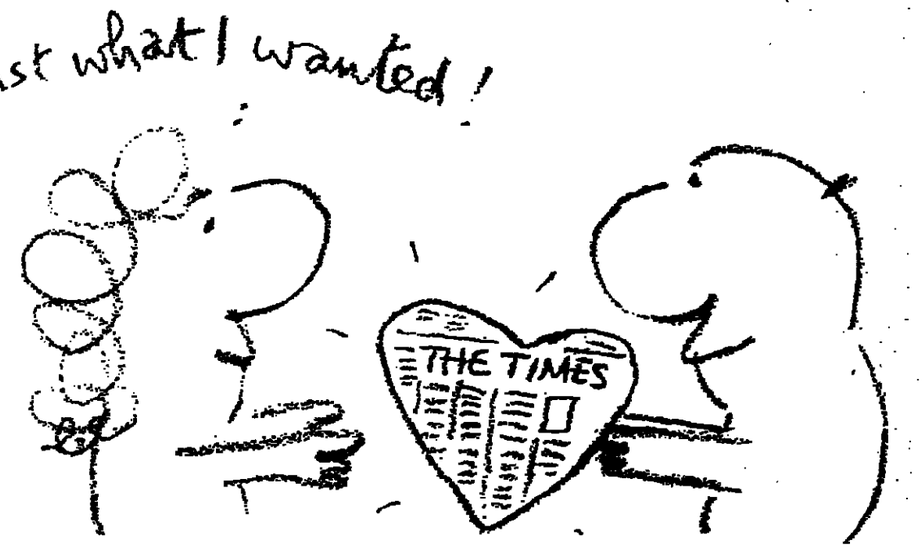
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Broadcasting

.00 pm BBC 2 Now that gypsies, and feckless Irish "travellers", have turned to car-breaking they are even more objectionable to local populations. Brass Tacks reports on our least integrated immigrants.

.00 pm ITV ITV Playhouse presents a romantic play by John Braine. With Liza Goddard and Stephen Petcher as her shy swain.

.45 pm BBC 1 America's future—and ours by proxy—depends on new high technology industries. But as The Risk Business reports tonight and next week the Americans are better than we are at financing these new industries.—P.V.

BBC 1

... am, Open University: Graphs Model; 7.05, Maths. 7.30-..., Handicapped in the Community 10.55, Golf: The Open. ... pm, Fingerbobs: 1.45-2.00. ...s. 2.15, Golf. 4.20, Play School. 4.45, Boss Cat. 5.10, ...sround Weekly. 5.35, The ...nbles.
.0 News. 5.55, Nationwide.
.0 The Osmonds, with Donny and Marie, Engelbert Humperdinck, Paul Lynde.
0 The Big Time, Jane Manders, Beauty Queen.
5 Z Cars.
0 Labour Party political broadcast.
0 News.
5 The Risk Business: The Birth of a Company.
0 Jack Jones with Marvin Hamlisch, Deniece Williams.
5 Where There's a Hill There's a Horse. Training for Olympic titles (2).
5 Weather.

...nal variations (BBC 1):

WALES: 5.10-5.35 pm, Bilidowar. 5.55-6.20, Wales Today. ... Heddiw. 7.15, Pawb yn ei ... 7.40-8.15, Come Back Mrs ... SCOTLAND: 9.55 am, Paddington. 10.00, Jackanory. 10.15, ... Hill. 10.35-10.55. The ...ders 5.55-6.20 am, Reporting ...and. NORTHERN IRELAND: 5-11.40 am The Twelfth: The ...ge Order's procession through ...t. 4.18-4.20 pm, Northern ...nd News. 5.55-6.20, Scene ...nd Six. 11.36, The Twelfth ...lights. 12.20 am, News; close.

Thames

9.30 am, A Place to Live (r). 9.55, Catch '77 (r). 10.20, Captain Nemo. 10.30, Spiderman (r). 10.55, Nature of Things. 11.45, Beany and Cecil. 12.00, Cloppa Castle. 12.10 pm, Stepping Stones (r). 12.30, Sounds of Britain. 1.00, News. 1.20, Help; 1.30, Crown Court (r). 2.00, After Noon. 2.25, Racing from Newmarket. 4.20, Michael Bentine: 4.45, Shadows (r). 5.15, The Flintstones (r).

5.45 News. 6.00, Thames at 6.
6.35 Crossroads.
7.00 *Don't Ask Me.*
7.30 Coronation Street.
8.00 London Night Out, with Petula Clark, Vince Hill, Black Abbotts, Janet Brown, Tom O'Connor.
9.00 Labour Party political broadcast.
9.10 Play: The Queen of a Distant Country, by John Braine, with Liza Goddard, Jack Watson, Stephen Petcher.
10.10 News.
10.40 Best Sellers: David Birney, Barbara Parkins, Steve Forrest in "Testimony of Two Men".
12.25 am Sir John Gielgud reads a Shakespeare sonnet.

(r). Repeat.

BBC 2

6.40 am, Open University: Beating the Bogie; 7.05, The Nature of Chemistry; 7.30-7.55, English Flats of the 1930s. 10.35, Gharbar. 11.00-11.25, Play School. 4.20-7.00 pm, Golf: The Open. 7.30, News.

7.40 Rhythm on 2: The Dutch Swing College Band.
8.10 Brass Tacks: All God's Children.
9.00 As BBC 1.
9.10 Call My Bluff.
9.40 Globe Theatre: The Interrogation of Machiavelli, with Hannes Messemer.
10.40 News.
10.50 Golf: Highlights.
11.40-11.50, Reading.

Southern

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Skippy. 10.40, Simply Sewing. 11.05, In Concert. 11.30, Changing Climate. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Southern News. 1.30, Crown Court. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Sinbad Junior. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, News. 6.00, Day by Day. 7.00, Thames. 12.25 am, Southern News. 12.35, Weather. The Black Experience.

Yorkshire

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Power Without Glory. 11.10, Sports of the World. 11.35, Friends of Man. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Calendar News. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, The ... 5.45, News. 6.00, Calendar. 6.35-12.25 am.

Scottish

... am, Thames. 10.20, Clue ... 10.40, The Stationary Ark. ...5, Simply Sewing. 11.30, ...ern. 12.00, Thames. 1.25 pm, ... Report. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, ... Only. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, ... 5.20, Southern. 6.00, ... and Today. 6.30, Reflections ...port. 7.00, Thames. 12.35 am, ... Call.

Granada

9.30 am, Thames. 10.25, Sesame Street. 11.20, Solo One. 11.45 Song Book. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, This is Your Right. 1.30, Thames. 5.10, What's New. 5.15, Crossroads. 5.45, News. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.30, University Challenge. 7.00, Thames 12.25-12.40 am, A Little Light Music, with Archie Fisher.

Border

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Technofish. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Border News. 1.30, Southern. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, The Great Yorkshire Show. 5.45, News. 6.00, Lookaround. 6.35, Thames. 12.25 am, Border News.

Anglia

9.30 am, Thames 10.20, Friends of Man. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 1.25 pm, Anglia News. 1.30, Southern. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, News. 6.00, About Anglia. 6.35, Thames. 12.25 am, The Big Question.

Westward

... am, Thames. 10.20, The ...hcombers. 10.45, Southern. ...0, Thames. 1.20 pm, Westward ...s Headlines. 1.30, Thames. ... George Hamilton IV. 5.45, ...s. 6.00, Westward Diary. 6.35, ...ies. 12.20 am, Faith for Life.

ATV

9.15 am, Something Different (r). 9.30, Thames. 10.20, Angling (r). 10.45, Banacek (r). 11.55, Parsley (r). 12.00, Thames, 1.20 pm, ATV News. 1.30, Thames. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35-12.25 am, Thames.

Ulster

... am, Thames. 10.20, The Lost ...ds. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, ...nes. 1.20 pm, Lunchtime. 1.30, ...nes. 5.15, The Partners. 5.45, ... 6.00, Ulster Television News. ..., Crossroads. 6.30, Reports. ... Thames. 10.40, The Field and ... 11.10, In Search of the ...muda Triangle. 11.25-11.45, ...ime.

Grampian

9.25 am, First Thing 9.30, Thames. 10.20, Wild Country. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Grampian News Headlines. 1.30, Thames 6.00, Grampian Today. 6.10, Police News. 6.15, Woody Woodpecker. 6.35, Thames. 12.25 am, Reflections. 12.30, Grampian Headlines.

Channel

... pm, Channel News. 1.30, ...nes. 5.15, George Hamilton IV. ..., News. 6.00, Channel News. ..., The Beatles. 6.35, Thames. ..., Review. 9.10, Thames. 12.10, ..., Epilogue.

HTV

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, The Lost Islands. 10.40, Southern. 11.30, Cricket. 12.00, Thames. 12.30 pm, Cricket. 1.00, News. 1.20, West Headlines. 1.25, Wales Headlines. 1.30, Southern. 2.25, Racing and Cricket. 4.20, Thames. 5.20, Southern. 6.00, Report West. 6.15, Report Wales. 6.30, Father Dear Father. 7.00-12.25 am, Thames. HTV CYMRU/WALES.—As HTV except: 1.20-1.25 pm, Penawdau Newyddion Y Dydd. 4.20, Miri Mawr. 4.30-4.45, Un Tro. 6.00-6.15 Y Dydd. HTV WEST.—As HTV except: 1.20-1.30 pm, West Headlines. 6.15-6.30, Report West.

Tyne Tees

... am, The Good Word 9.30, ...mes. 10.20, Wildlife Cinema. ...0, Southern. 12.00, Thames. ... pm, North East News. 1.30, ...mes. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, ...mes. 5.15, Happy Days. 5.45, ... 6.00, Northern Life. 6.35, ...mes. 12.25 am, Epilogue.

Radio

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5.00 am, News. Richard Vaughan.† 7.02, Dave Lee Travis. 9.00, Simon Bates. 11.31, Paul Burnett. 2.00 pm, Tony Blackburn. 4.31, Kid Jensen. 7.30, Sports Desk. 7.35, Band.† 8.15, Semprini.† 9.02, Jack Buchanan. 9.55, Sports Desk. 10.02, John Peel.† 12.00, News. 12.05 am, Brian Matthew. 2.00, News. † Stereo.

2

5.00 am, News. 5.02, Richard Vaughan† 7.32, Terry Wogan† (8.27, Racing bulletin). 10.02, Golf: The Open. 10.05, Jimmy Young.† 12.15 pm, Waggoners' Walk. 12.30, Pete Murray.† 2.30, David Allan.† 4.30, Waggoners' Walk. 4.45, Sports Desk. 4.50, John Dunn.† 6.45, Sports Desk. 7.02, Sing Something Simple.† 7.30, Radio 1. 11.02, Offbeat with Braden. 10.30, Hubert Gregg. 11.02, Brian Matthew. 2.00-2.02 am, News.

3

6.55 am, Weather. 7.00, News. 7.05, Your Midweek Choice. 1: Bacarisse, Villa-Lobos.† 8.00, News. 8.05, Your Midweek Choice, part 2: Schumann, Saint-Saens. 9.00, News. 9.05, Gounod.† 9.50, Organ music at Winchester College Chapel: Schumann, Hindemith, Bossi.† 10.25, Bartok and Schubert, chamber music.† 11.25, Oboe and Harpsichord: J. C., J. S. and C.P. E. Bach.† 12.15 pm, Beethoven and Schubert, part 1.†

1.00 pm, News. 1.05, Concert, part 2.† 2.10, Rawsthorne, chamber music.† 2.35, Fernande Kaeser (piano), Bach, Mozart. 3.10, Koussevitsky Commissions: Stravinsky, Roussel.† 4.05, A 2 Clav E pedal, harpsichord recital.† 4.50, Building a library.† 5.45, Homeward Bound. 6.05, News. 6.10, Homeward Bound. 7.00, Ochen' Privatno. 7.00, Tal como es. 7.30, BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra: Haydn, Bruckner.† 9.00, The Arts Worldwide. 9.20, Purcell and Bach.† 10.00, Scientifically speaking, the blood proteins of man: discussion with Professor B. S. Blumberg. 10.45, Violin and piano: Schubert, Prokofiev and Ravel.† 11.35, Slovak Philharmonic Orchestra: Cikker.† 11.45, News. 11.50-11.55, Schubert Song.

4

6.00 am, News Briefing. 6.10, Farming. 6.30, Today. 8.35, Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00, News. 9.05, The Living World. 9.35, Over Here, Over There. 10.00, News. 10.05, In Britain Now. 10.30, Service. 10.45, Story. 11.00, News. 11.05, Conversation Piece. Mary Greaves, polio victim and retired Civil Servant, on her life and work. 11.50, Strawberry Fair, the history of strawberries. 12.00, News. 12.02, You and Yours. 12.27, The Spamfritter Man. 12.55, Weather.

1.00, News. 1.30, The Archers. 1.45, Woman's Hour. 2.45, Listen with Mother. 3.00, News. 3.05, Play: The Promising Young Man, by Charles Marowitz. 3.50, Choral Evensong from St Alban's Abbey. 4.35, Story: The Story of Ragged Robyn. 5.00, PM Reports. 5.40, Serendipity. 5.55, Weather.

6.00, News. 6.30, My Music. 7.00, News. 7.05, The Archers. 7.20, File on 4. 8.00, Maria Callas, portrait of the great soprano. 9.00, Science Now. 9.30, Today in Synod. 9.35 Kaleidoscope. 9.59, Weather. 10.00, News. 10.30, Round Britain Quiz. 11.00, A Book at Bedtime: The Secret Agent. 11.15, The Financial World Tonight. 11.30, Today in Parliament. 12.00, News. 12.20-12.23 am, Inshore Forecast.

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BIRTHS

ABBOTT.—On Thurs., July 6th, at Middlesex Hospital, to Sonia and Barry—a son (Julian).

ABBOTT.—On July 7th, at The Clinique, St. Georges, Nice, to Patrick and Vanessa—a daughter (Guillotte Virginia Allenby), a sister for Rupert.

ANDERSON.—On July 9th, at Newcastle General Hospital, to Kitty (nee Sorige) and John—a son (Thomas Philip Palmer). Deo Gratias.

AP SIMON.—On 10th July, at St Thomas's Hospital, to Kyle (nee Caine) and Charles—a son.

ARMSTRONG-FLEMMING.—On July 11th, 1978, at Mount Alvernia, Guildford, to Elizabeth (nee Lunn) and Nigel Armstrong-Flemming—a son (Nicholas William), a brother for Helen.

BALDWIN.—On 5th July, 1978, to Elizabeth (nee Woodall) and Jonathan—a daughter (Lucinda Helen Kate).

BALFOUR-PAUL.—On July 10th, at West London Hospital, Hammersmith, to Jenny (nee Scott) and Glencairn—a daughter (Finella).

BEVIS.—On 6th July, to Martha and Alan—a son.

BONE.—On July 7th, to Susan (nee Gibson) and Michael—a daughter.

BREEN.—On July 7th, 1978, at Ulford Maternity Hospital, to Bethel and William—a son, Charles Edward Pitt.

BRYERS.—On 7th July at Mount Alvernia Nursing Home, Guildford, to Monique (nee Caporal) and Peter—a daughter (Sabine).

FAULKNER.—On July 8th, happily born to Anthony and Debbie (nee Mawson)—Rose Eleanor.

GWYN-JONES.—On July 6th, at Victoria Maternity Hospital, Barnet, to Denise (nee Collins) and Gareth—a daughter (Cerian Rhiannydd).

MATHEWS.—On July 10 at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Nolly (nee Cross) and Charles—a daughter.

MITCHELL.—On 1st July, to Doreen and Parry Mitchell—a daughter (Charlotte Elise).

ROVES.—On 10th July, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Corie (nee Clarkson) and Gus—a son (William).

TILLETT.—On July 10th to Kathy (nee Gregg) and Robin—a son, a brother for William.

WARREN.—On 10th July, at University College Hospital, to Karol and Richard—a son.

BIRTHDAYS

PUDDING says happy birthday to Pussy Willow.

CHUCK, RUBESCO, French on'on soup. Kilka II happy B'day and lots of love to CML.

MARRIAGES

ALBISTON : GLASER.—On July 8, at St. John's Church, Ballachulish, Argyll, Christopher, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Brian Albiston to Caroline, youngest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. L. M. Glaser.

BOTTRALL : OESCH.—On July 8th, at Luther-Tyndale Memorial Church, Kentish Town, London, Anthony, only son of Mr Ronald Bottrall and Mrs. Margaret Bottrall, and Ingeborg, youngest daughter of Professor and Mrs. Wilhelm Oesch.

COULDREY : PALLETT.—On July 8th at St. Lawrence Church, Hungerford, Nicholas, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. A. Couldrey, of Nairobi, Kenya, to Ann, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Pallett, of Parsonage Farm, Hungerford.

HITCHCOCK : APPLEBY.—On July 8th, at St Johns Church, Lonsgrove, Jeremy, elder son of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Hitchcock of 1 Storey's Way, Cambridge, to Carolyn, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. E. H. Appleby of 21 Alfreton Close, Brandon, Durrow.

RUSSELL-WALLING : SEARLE.—On 11th July at Grahamstown, Cape Province, Edward Russell-Walling, to Wendy Searle.

DEATHS

AKERS, JOHN CLIFFORD.—Suddenly at his home on July 10th, the beloved brother of Madoleine Gould. Funeral private.

ALLEN.—On July 11th, 1978, Neville E. S. Allen of the Carlton Hotel, Bournemouth and formerly of Crazies Hill, Wargrave on Thames. Cremation Monday, 17th July, 2.30 p.m., at Bournemouth Crematorium. Family flowers only please, but donations in his memory for the Victoria Home for Crippled Children, may be sent to Doric Scott, Portman Lodge, Funeral Home, Bournemouth.

ASH.—On July 8, peacefully, at her home, Mary Carr Ash, widow of Herbert Mingaye, darling sister of Monica, Eileen, Dick and Sylvia. Cremation at Earthourne, on Friday, July 14, at 12 noon. Inquiries to Mummery (0424) 210418.

BARTON-CHAPPLE.—On July 8th, at 23 Kingswood Avenue, Bromley, Kent, W. Cdr. Harry John Barton-Chapple, C.Eng., F.I.E.E., Wh.Sch., B.Sc. (Hons.), Hon. F.I.E.R.E., A.C.G.I., D.I.C., F.R.T.S., twice mentioned in dispatches, R.A.F.V.R. (retd.); dearest and most loving husband of Marian and father of Brian and Derek and grandfather of Simon, Giles, Amanda, Nicholas, Victoria and Briony; pioneer of television. Funeral, Friday, 14th July, at 11.30, St. Mary's Church, Kingswood Road, Shortlands, Kent. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired to British Heart Foundation in his name.

BLACK.—On 7th July, Dr. Donald Harrison Black, C.M.G. Loved husband of Malda and father of David, Jean and James. Private cremation has taken place.

BLAKE.—On Monday, July 10, 1978, peacefully, in her sleep, at Waverley Abbey House, Farnham, Kathleen Monica (nee Tasker), aged 72, beloved wife of the late George Blake, mother of Sheila and grandmother of Janet, Philippa, Evelyn and Mark. Cremation at the Park Crematorium, Aldershot, at noon, on Thursday, July 13; family flowers only.

BLYTH.—On 9th July, 1978, peacefully in a Tunbridge Wells nursing home, Millicent Rose, aged 78 years, late of Culverden Down, Tunbridge Wells, widow of Douglas Sutherland Blyth. Family flowers only. Enquiries to W. & F. Groombridge, Tunbridge 25964.

BOWEN, FLORENCE, peacefully, 3rd July, 1978, in St. Mary Abbot's Hospital, aged 88 years. Dearly loved mother of Gilbert and Donald and grandmother of Claire. Private cremation.

BURGESS.—On 10th July, 1978, suddenly at St. Georges Hospital, Lincoln, Edward of Brampton, Lincoln, a dearly loved husband and father. Funeral service Torksey Parish Church, Friday, 14th July at 12.15 p.m., followed by private cremation. No flowers by request. Donations in lieu of flowers may be sent to Cancer Research, c/o Mrs. Swales, 104 Yarborough Crescent, Lincoln.

CLIVE.—On Monday, 10th July, suddenly in Orlando, Florida, Peter Julian, beloved husband of Winnie, and dearly loved father of Colin and the late Caroline. Private funeral in Florida. No flowers, no letters by request.

COMBEN.—On July 11, 1978, peacefully, at Crowborough, Sussex, after a long illness patiently borne, John Edward Comben, O.B.E., most dear husband and father. Funeral at St. John's Church, Crowborough, on Friday, 14th July, at 2.30 p.m.

DUNKIN.—On July 9th, 1978, in Cirencester, Elsa, wife of the late John Churchill Dunkin. Private cremation.

EYRE.—On July 10th at Roehampton, Sister May Eyre, Religious of the Society of the Sacred Heart, eldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Eyre. Requiem at Roehampton, 12.45 p.m. Thursday, July 13th.

GIBBONS, CECILIA MAY, suddenly on July 9th, eldest daughter of the late W. H. Gibbons of Reading. Enquiries to Cyril H. Lovegrove of Woking.

HALL.—On July 6th, tragically in a train accident, Doctor Trenchard (Bob) his wife Patricia (nee O'Connor) and elder daughter Mary, beloved son-in-law, daughter and granddaughter of Mrs. O'Connor and the late Mr. Martin O'Connor of Sharnbrook, Bedfordshire. Funeral private. Memorial service at St. Mary's Church, Plympton, Friday, 3.15. Family flowers only please, donations if desired to the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund, 24 Kings Road, London, S.W.19.

HASTWELL.—On 10th July, 1978, peacefully in London, Ada Louisa Hastwell (nee MacCallum), aged 85.

HINDE.—On 8th July, peacefully, at Shimoni, Harry Douglas Hinde, of Lolldaiga Hills, Nanyuki, Kenya.

HIRST.—On July 10th, 1978, at his home, suddenly and peacefully, Henry Harold Robert Hirst, K.H.S., J.P. Beloved husband of Anne and devoted father of Marie, Kathleen, Richard and Stephen. Requiem and reception Thursday, July 13th, at 7.30 p.m. St. Michael and All Angels, Locksbottom, Farnborough, Kent. Friday, July 14th, 11.30 a.m. Requiem as above and interment 12.30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, Crown Lane, Chislehurst. Flowers to family home.

HUGO, J. KEEZER.—On June 14, 1978, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, sadly missed, Henrietta Baumann, Amsterdam and Carla Baumgart-Markham, London.

KEDDIE.—On July 8th, suddenly at Worthing General Hospital, Charles Mackay Keddie, O.B.E., aged 88, late of Calcutta, last surviving child of James and Margaret Keddie. Funeral service on Monday, July 17th at Worthing Crematorium, Findon at 11.45 a.m. Enquiries to Dillistone Funeral Service, 101 South Farm Road, Worthing. Telephone: 200835.

KEMP.—On July 1st, Agnes, of Renonl, Cabinteely, Dublin. Widow of Dr. S. W. Kemp, in her 99th year.

LYONS.—On July 7th, Walter Frederick (Sam), in hospital, after a short illness, cherished husband of Alison and brother of June. Funeral service at St. Mary's Church, Bryanston Square, W.1. 12 o'clock, Thursday, 13th July, prior to private cremation.

McALLISTER.—Suddenly on July 8th, The Reverend Basil Robert McAllister, of 5 Cambridge House, Tunbridge Wells, in his 73th year. Requiem Mass, Thursday, July 13th, at 10.15 a.m., at St. Barnabas' Church, Tunbridge Wells, followed by cremation at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium at 11.00 a.m. Cut flowers, only to E. R. Hickmott & Son, Grove Hill Road, Tunbridge Wells.

METCALFE.—On July 10th, peacefully at Hindhead, Elsie, aged 90 years. Much loved mother of Anne.

MILLER.—On July 10th, 1978, at Exmouth Hospital, Barbara May, of 41 Cranford Avenue, Exmouth. Funeral service Littleham Parish Church, Exmouth, Monday, July 17th, 11.30 a.m., followed by cremation at Exeter Crematorium, 12.30 p.m. No flowers please by request. Donations in lieu if desired to the League of Friends, Exmouth Hospital.

NEILSON.—On July 9th, 1978, peacefully in hospital, Brigadier D. W. Neilson, C.B.E., aged 75, of Sidney House, Kinnersley, Salop. Cremation private. Memorial service in Northumberland at a later date.

PURVIS.—On 7th July, 1978, peacefully in a London Nursing Home, Jean Winifred Purvis (nee Ropner), Loving mother of Ian and Julia and devoted grandmother to their children. Funeral private, no flowers please. Memorial service at St Columba's Church of Scotland, Pont Street, SW1, at 12 noon on Wednesday, 26th July, 1978.

REGLER, DIANA WORDSWORTH, of Townshend Terrace, Richmond, Surrey, and Karen, Kenya. Beloved wife of Norman and mother of Kirsten and Alison. In hospital on Tuesday, 11th July, after a short illness. Funeral on Monday, 17th July. Service at Richmond Parish Church at 3 p.m. and thereafter to Mortlake Crematorium. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Charities for the Blind.

ST. LEVAN.—Francis Cecil St. Aubyn, 3rd Baron and 4th Baronet, beloved husband of Clementina Gwendolen Catharine, died peacefully and suddenly at home in his 84th year on 10th July. Funeral private. Family flowers only. Memorial Service to be announced later. Donations, if wished, may be sent to St Teresa's Cheshire Home, Longrock, Penzance, Cornwall.

SANDELL.—On July 10th, at his home at Potterne, Devizes, Richard Emery Sandell, M.A. (Oxon.), Honorary Librarian, Wiltshire Archaeological and Natural History Society for some 25 years Fellow of Society of Antiquaries, London, Fellow of Linnaean Society. Inquiries to Hopler & Jenkins, 7 Gay Street, Bath. Tel. 26352.

SCOTT.—On July 10, peacefully at Bramdean, Mabel Louise, widow of Arthur Hugh Scott, dear mother of Sandy and Peggy and grandmother of Sophie and Polly. Funeral at Hyde Parish Church, Fordingbridge, tomorrow, Thursday, July 13th, at 3 p.m. Garden flowers only.

SHEPPARD, REGINALD, of Anselm House, Harrow Park, Harrow-on-the-Hill, on 8th July, peacefully. Beloved husband of Bessie. Service at St. Edmunds of the King, Pinner Rd., Northwood Hills, Pinner, on Friday, 14th July at 2 p.m. followed by cremation at Breakspeare Crematorium, Ruislip. No flowers, please. Donations if so desired to Royal Masonic Hospital or Cancer Research Foundation.

SHINGLETON, EVA GRAY.—Of Cirencester and late of Micheldever, Hants, widow of Frederick Shingleton, died peacefully, on July 10. A very dear sister, aunt and cousin. Cremation private.

SKRINE, Rev. R. V. L.—Peacefully, on July 9, beloved husband of Julie, father of John and Charles. Funeral, Lacock, Wiltshire, 2.15 p.m., July 14. Family flowers only, donations to Spastic Society.

TAYLOR ALEXANDER ROBERTSON, formerly Neurosurgeon, Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast, and 6, Marlborough Park South, suddenly on 9th July, at Pitkerro House, Dundee. Lover husband to Alice and dear father of Rosemary, Harvey, Roderic and Graham. In loving memory.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

ANDERSON.—A Memorial and Thanksgiving Service for the life of Keith Malcolm Graham Anderson will be held at St. Lawrence Jewry Next Guildhall, London, E.C.2, on Thursday, 20th July, 1978, at noon.

EHRMANN.—There will be a memorial service and tombstone consecration for Gertrude Ehrmann who died on June 15th, 1977, at Willesden Cemetery (United Synagogue) on Sunday, July 16th, 1978, at 11.30 a.m.

FRANCIS.—The memorial service for Lt. Col. J. C. W. Francis, will be held at Gt. St. Mary's Church, Cambridge, on Friday, July 28, at 2.30 p.m.

HABERSHON.—A Memorial Service for George Eric Habershon, M.A., Barrister at Law, will be held at St. Mary's Church, Oatlands, Weybridge, on Friday, 14th July, at 3 p.m.

HOULDER, Commander R. G. E., R.N. (retd.). For close and local friends at Corhampton Church, Thursday July 20, at 11.30 a.m.

PARKES.—A Memorial Service will be held at Woodford Church, Woodford, Cheshire, for Alfred Herbert Parkes, on Friday, 21st July at 12.30 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM

AITCHISON.—In proud and loving memory of Flight Lieutenant Harold Leslie John Aitchison, born Jan 25th, 1918, killed in action, July 12, 1945.
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PAGE.—In loving memory of Marjorie Sherwood Page, on her birthday. Ann and Bill, and Sue.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

MISS LUCKHAM (RAYS).—Thanks many kind friends who have written following the death of Professor Stanton. She hopes to answer them personally in due course.

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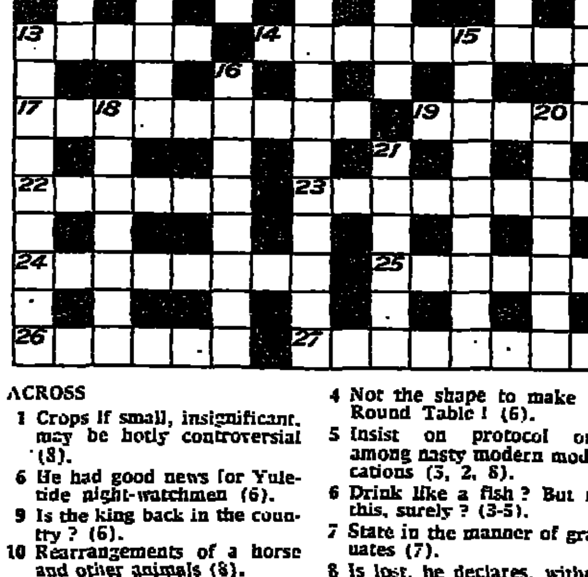
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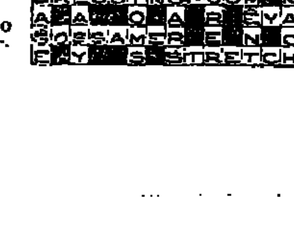
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1 Crops if small, insignificant, may be hotly controversial (8).
6 He had good news for Yuletide night-watchmen (6).
9 Is the king back in the country? (6).
10 Rearrangements of a horse and other animals (8).
11 Once again produced fuel in the plant (8).
12 Downright artist returns to make noisy speech (6).
13 Exercising in the morning—this could be funny (5).
14 Manager in tribe under canvas (9).
17 Agrees with many an odd decision (9).
19 Andromeda takes the lead (5).
22 Part of cricket field—right place for a footballer (6).
23 Steelmen ordered e g iron and carbon (8).
24 Censor Tom's turn for a start, giving direction to players (8).
25 Occupies top place but falls audibly (6).
26 Obligations of the French connexions (6).
27 A gay hat ruined by the point of a sword (8).

DOWN

2 Close friends of the Walrus (7).
3 A plucky Monsieur gets no quarter from a Greek warrior (9).
4 Not the shape to make the Round Table! (6).
5 Insist on protocol once among nasty modern modifications (3, 2, 8).
6 Drink like a fish? But not this, surely? (3-5).
7 State in the manner of graduates (7).
8 Is lost, he declares, without one? (9).
13 Like a creditor not thwarted by such a cheque? (9).
15 Just over 500? The call appears vacillating (9).
16 Ran miles in order to get drinks (8).
18 Just a moment — it's urgent (7).
20 Do a turn badly in this building (7).
21 It helps to offer returns to bunny-chasers (6).

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